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BIG DEFICIT.

BANK TO BE WOUND

INVESTIGATION NEEDED.

creditors' petition for the winding up by the Court of the Oriental Commercial Bank, Ltd., whose registered office is at 25, Des Voeux Road Central, and for the removal of four Chinese liquidators; was made to the Chief Justice, Sir Henry Gollan, in the Supreme Court this morning. Mr. H. G. Sheldon, instructed by Mr. D. H. Blake, of Messrs. Wilkinson and Grist, appeared for the creditors, and there was no counsel in court for the Bank. Bank is in voluntary liquidation an estimated deficiency of over mation before rising. \$900,000.

Canton Bank of San Francisco, the the usual bags. Anglo-California Trust Company ties Company, all of San Francisco. The Canton Bank is a creditor to the extent of \$1,000,000 for monies deposited to cover foreign drafts, and the latter two are creditors for the sum of \$245,000 for moning paid in respect of a loan pending the completion of a sale.

UNABLE TO CONTINUE.

Mr. Sheldon said the nominal capital of the Bank was \$5,000,000, divided into 200,000 shares of \$25 each. The amount of capital paid up, or credited as paid up, was \$174,125.

On June 18th of this "year, an extraordinary general meeting of shareholders was held when a resolution was passed to the effect that it had been proved to the satisfaction of the meeting that the Bank could not, by reasonof its liabilities, continue its business, and that it was advisable that the Bank should be voluntarily wound up. 'It was also resolved that Messrs. Lai Hin-man, Kwok Tat-son, Ip Pik-chuen, and Lui Mui-sang be appointed liquidators for the purpose of winding up, and that their remuneration during the winding up should be \$300 each per month. Those resolutions were confirmed at a meeting held on July 5th.

and had withdrawn the sum of but for information received. \$16,039.60 on the day that the Company closed its doors in circumstances that required investigation. Kwok Tat-son was junior clerk in the Bank, and was the registered holder of two hundred shares. On August 3rd of this year, Ip Pik-chuen wrote through his solicitors to the Registrar of Companies, informing him that owing to ill-health he did not propose to take an active part in the liquidation. With regard to Lui Mui-sang, he stated, at the first meeting of the creditors, that he had resigned from the position of liquidator. Neither of the latter two, said Mr. Sheldon, had taken an active part in the liquidation.

NEED FOR INVESTIGATION.

Messrs. Percy Smith Seth and Floming, incorporated accounfants. prepared a preliminary statement of the affairs on June 9th; 1926. This report stated inter alia that on June 9th, when the Company closed its doors, a second mortgage of \$10,000 on security of the Bank "premises was granted to Wo Cho-tai and Leung Yee-koo, against a payment, according to the cash book, of \$10,000. (Continued On Page 12.)

WANHSIEN INCIDENT REPORTS.

IMPATIENCE IN HOUSE OF

QUESTION OF URGENCY.

London, Dec. 14. In the House of Commons, in reply to Mr. Clynes, Sir Austen Chamberlain said he hoped to lay the papers with regard to the Wanhsien incident before the House very shortly, and said the Admiralty had promised to send to the Foreign Office the Naval report this week, and the report of the British Consul at Chungking

left Peking on Nov. 15. steps had been taken to expedite lessness and that the rights the receipt of this information, the propertied and monied classes and suggested that in view of the are to be safeguarded. repeated questions on the subject during the past few weeks, the and it was stated that there was | House was entitled to this infor-

that he was anxious to give the 200 Labour Unions under its con- ported that a final settlement of House the information as soon as trol, recently called a meeting to all outstanding issues will not be Biggar, attorney of the Super- he was able to get it himself. He consider the position, it being reached until the arrival of Genintendent of Banks for the State believed the report of the Consul asserted that the Government eral Ho Ying-yam, the Commanof California, and trustee in at Changking was coming by the action would practically put an der of the Kuomintang 1st Army charge of the liquidation of the shortest route and not awaiting end to Trade Unionism in Canton.

and the Anglo-California Securi- vital and urgent reports should Unions would be willing to obey not have been cabled, and Sir the Government provided in case Austen Chamberlain replied that of strikes the employers did not if the Foreign Office had to con- commit any acts against the strike duct all its business by cable, he regulations. With regard to the was afraid that Mr. Garro Jones labour feuds, the view was exwould soon find fault with their pressed that these were largely estimates."

tion of peace or war.

To this there was no answer .-

HABITUAL SMUGGLER.

INGERLOUS PLACE OF CONCEALMENT.

Alleged by Revenue Officers to be an habitual opium smuggler, a Kwongsai man, who arrived in the Colony on the s.s. Mingsang, was fined \$2,000, or six months' hard lahour in default, at the Central Magistracy this morning where he was charged with possession of 191/2 taels of prepared opium.

The drug was ingeniously concealed in a thin tray secreted inside the lining of a large suitease, The liquidator, 'Lai Hin-man, and it was stated that the diswas a director of the Company covery would not have been made

Revenue officers raided the Kung Wo Boarding-house yesterday, and arrested the prisoner in a room

SENNET FRERES CASE.

ALLEGED SHOPLIFTERS. PLEAD NOT GUILTY.

The two men who were arrested yesterday morning in connection with an alleged attempt to victimise Messra. Sennet Freres, the Pedder Street jewellers, pleaded not guilty when charged at the Cen-Evidence of arrest was given, and both defendants were remand-

COAL INDUSTRY.

LAST EMPLOYMENT FIGURES

ed in custody until Friday.

Rugby, Dec. 14. Colonel Lane Fox, Secretary for. sum of \$1,000 was repaid to Loo Mines, stated in the House of Fu, against a fixed deposit receipt Commons that the number of which was not due until Novem- miners working on the new basis ber 2nd of this year. The report of eight hours a day is 456,164, also stated that on June 9th, sums | whilst 265,550 are working seven amounting to \$16,039.60 were paid and a half hours daily. At pits to the liquidator, Lai Hin-man, in various districts a seven-hoursand that on the same day \$16,- day is still in force.-British Wireless,

CURBING LABOUR.

CANTON UNIONS MUCH PERTURBED.

PROTESTS TO GOVERNMENT.

Labour organisations in Canton are greatly perturbed over the reported intention of the Government to deal severely with picket lawlessness and labour fouds.

It will be recalled that during the regime of Li Chang-tat as Commissioner of Public Safety, labour domination became most marked, even a Police and Labour Fraternity Party being formed. Now, however, that General Chien Taichun has succeeded to the post, it is said that a decision has been Mr. Clynes asked whether any taken not to tolerate picket law-

In view of these reports, the Sing-tao should be appointed Workers' Representative Confer | control of all military matters, at Sir Austen Chamberlain replied ence, which claims to have over least for the time being. It is re-At this meeting, a resolution was Mr. Garro Jones asked why these passed to the effect that the due to the capitalist class, the Mr. Garro Jones contended that members of which were often this was a case of exceptional engineering trouble when strikes importance, involving the ques- occurred. Moreover, much of the trouble was due, according to the meeting, to the fact that rival Unions existed amongst men of the Petroleum Company, now lies sunk same calling, but this was inevit- off the Yaumati typhoon shelter. able during the present period of The collision took place at abou

IN THE BALANCE.

On behalf of the Unions, protests have been sent to the Canton Government regarding the proposed new regulations, which are described as being very unexpected in view of the fact that the" Government is looked upon being favourable to labour aspirations. So far, however, the Government has not replied to these, and our Canton correspondent states that much anxiety exists in labour circles as to the outcome of the representations Armed pickets are not so much in evidence, and the public is anxiously waiting to see whether the Government really intends to: disperse the picket organisations.

Merchants generally are hailing with gratification the appointment General' Chien Tai-chun as Commissioner of Public Safety, especially in view of the reports that he is determined to take strong action against labour

STRIKE CONTINUE.

"The strike of rice workers still continues, but there are hopes of a settlement in view of the fact that the Government has stepped in to mediate and also because of the growing impatience of the public on account of the increased prices now being charged for this John Ward, wife of Colonel John necessity of life.

still remains unsettled. The Kuo- Command of the 25th. Middle mintang Labour Department has sex who. later saw service called together the bankers and Siberia. - Reuter. tral Police Court to-day with theft. their employees with a view to discussing the terms of a suggested compromise, but no agreement had been reached on Monday. The discussions were, however, to be resumed yesterday. It is said that the strike is causing 'much inconvenience to the Central Bank.

PROUD VIENNA.

STOPS SALVATION ARMY'S WORK.

Vienna, Dec. 14. The Municipal authorities have prohibited the Salvation Army's work in Vienna on the ground that the City has 'developed such a comprehensive system of communal relief that private relief is superfluous .- Reuter.

BETTER CONDITIONS IN FOOCHOW

NAVY STILL NOT UNDER CONTROL.

COMMITTEE GOVERNMENT

With regard to conditions in ties turning to normality.

Committee, in accordance with the of China militarists. Kuomintang system.

So far, the naval forces have not wholly taken up the Kuomintang cause, and they are said to be demanding that General Fang

HARBOUR COLLISION

VELL-KNOWN LAUNCH SUNK.

During the foggy weather that prevailed early this morning, collision took place In the harbour between two lattiche ras a resul of which the steam launch Gret- ders for their approval. chen, belonging to the Asiatic

ed being one belonging the Standard Oil Company and the Gretchen, belonging to the A.P.C It appears that the latter was struck by the bows of the former and was so seriously damaged that she eventually sank. The bows of the Standard Oil Company's launch were also badly damaged.

MILL STRIKE ENDS

LARGE TEXTILE WORKS RESUME.

New York, Dec. 14. A strike, which has closed for eleven months two of the largest textile mills in northern New Jersey, ended yesterday, the millowners and employes accepting the same terms as were agreed to in the Passai mills a month ago .- Reuter's ings as 3,000. An additional American Service.

OBITUARY

DEATH OF MRS. JOHN WARD

London, Dec. 14. The death is announced of Mrs Ward, M.P., who was in Hongkong vice again. Being a Chinese com-The bank employees' strike also for a while during the war, in

CHLORINE EXPLOSION

HUGE CASUALTY LIST.

Paris, Dec. 14. The death roll in the chlorine explosion disaster at Samtauban is now 23, while 30 have been seriously gassed, five of whom are in precarious condition. Forty others have been less seriously gassed. The cause of the accident is not yet known.-Reuter.

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9,000 MORE UNEMPLOYED.

The long succession of difficulwith which the China Foochow, it is reported that since Merchants' Steam Navigation the arrival of the Kuomintang Company has had to contend with troops conditions have begun to during the past few years of civil improve and are now rapidly re- war in and around these provinces and in Central China culminated The defeated remnants of Gen- last week in the Company making eral Chow Yam-yan's forces have a public announcement to the retreated into Cheklang, and it effect that the Company would no has been decided to assign all longer continue to operate its political and administrative mat- vessels while others, belonging to ters to a newly-organised Political the Company remain in the hands

SHAREHOLDERS UNITED.

shareholders in the Company, a re- Treaty. Therefore, she was going of handling ships on the ground in the directors to suspend all services (coast and Yangtsze) pend- obtain a declaration that China them in and out of sheds except ing the return of its steamers, was alone could not abrogate the framed and circulated throughout institutions forcibly imposed the country.

Following this, the resolution carried away by a revolt was formally carried into effect national sentiment, which it mast by a mast crew of ten and next day when all steamers of the would be more and more im- it should be possible Company were summoned to return to Shanghai and those in port received orders to remain at their berths.

CONSTANT INTERFERENCE.

Constant interference with the operations of the Company was the main reason given by the Chairman at the meeting for the resolution being put to sharehol-

There are at present about nine of the riverboats belonging to the Company in the hands of the Northern militarists, while several coasters have been seized in South seven o'clock, the launches involv- China, the principal ones being those which sailed from Shanghai a week or two ago with new crews recruited locally to break "the strike caused by the activities of the Seamen's Union and Red

Although petitions had been sent to the Nanking, Swatow and Canton authorities, no assurance was forthcoming from them that the vessels would be returned. All that the Company asked was freedom to operate their vessels no matter who was in power and ruled the country, and that its ships would not in future be commandeered or interfered with and that full protection would infforded to the officers, crews and

An estimate places the number of shipping hands who will be affected by the suspension of sail-6,000 shore men will also be thrown out of work by the Company's ac-The Company has no less. than" 28 vessels, with about 180. foreign officers and engineers.

In past civil wars the China Merchant's Company was badly hit by the wholesale commandeering of vessels and on each occasion when the Company had revived its; services on a normal basis another outbreak of war disrupted the serpany it is the first upon which the warring factions cast eyes when requiring transport for their troops Sometimes wages are paid to the crews operating the vessels, and sometimes they are not. The fact remains that the Company which owns the vessels losses heavily while the vessels are in the hands of the militarists and the decision now taken was the last resort.

IRISH TROUBLES.

THE ARRESTED PERSONS-RELEASED.

London, Dec. 14. It is officially announced that all persons detained by the Irish Free State under the Emergency Act, recently passed by the Free State Parliament following raids on barracks, have been released by an Order of the Executive Counci -Router.

THE SINO-BELGIAN DISPUTE.

TO BE TAKEN TO HAGUE COURT.

NO POLITICAL AMBITIONS.

Brussels, Dec. 14. M. Vandervelde, interviewed on his return from Geneval stated that he had discussed the Belgo-Chinese dispute and also the General situation with Sir Austen Chamberlain and M. Briand.

Belgium had no political ambitions in China, and she could not agree to accept a Modus Vivendi of nine months instead of the Treaty of 1865, because, if she did, she might at the end of nine months, find herself without At a meeting of most of the either a Modus Vivendi or a new to the Hague Court in order to China which were bound to possible to suppress.

> Sir Austen Chamberlain was considering common action on the whereby was meant not the despatch of troops to China but the national movement. Such a pro- dinary harbour. ject' could not fail to have the sympathy of Belgium which was always, given to the flational

WEATHER OUTLOOK

FOG LIKELY TO DISAPPEAR

Hongkong has had another warm and muggy day, with a deal of fog, but according to Observatory predictions there are prospects of an improvement weather conditions.

The 'temperature recorded by was 71, with the humidity 96.

The Yangtsze Valley depression has deepened and moved to south west Japan, whilst a strong anticyclone covers south-east Mongolia and south Manchuria.

The coast fog, says the Observatory, will probably disperse within 24 hours, and the local forecast up to noon to-morrow is:-Light north-east winds, freshening; fog at first, clearing later.

FORGED BANKNOTE.

CHINESE CHARGED WITH UTTERING.

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Rugby, Dec. 14.

EMPIRE AIRWAYS.

PROGRESS IN AIRSHIP DEVELOPMENT.

IMPORTANCE OF MASTS.

The Air Ministry's memorandum to the Imperial Conference, dealing comprehensively with Imperial air communications is now

After surveying the substantial progress made regarding aeroplane services and their suggested development in co-operation with the Dominions, it indicates the great advances made as the result of research experiment and trial in airship development. Hitherto, the chief cause of irregularity of airship flying, has been the difficulty and the risk involved in taking carried without a dissentient vote Treaty. Belgium would always in favourable weather. As the and a telegram to this effect was side with those desiring to abolish result of the development of a system of mooring at masts, airof ships can now be moored to the future to operate from part of the Powers concerned, ling and changing engines and even gasbags while so moored. An airship shed should then be adoption of a liberal and pacific more analogous to the dry dock policy in face of the Chinese of a surface ship than to its or-

VOYAGES TO INDIA.

In connection with the experiaspirations of a great prople mental voyages to India and back; two airships have been designed and are in the first stages of production. , Masts at Cardington and Ismalia have been completed and a shed at Karachi, on the site presented with a grant-in-aid by the Indian Government, has been begun. As the result of knowledge accumulated during meteorological investigations of the route, the experimental flights will be made with a greater prospect of safety than would otherwise have been possible. It remains to build the airship, to overcome the mechanical difficulties of the heavy oil engine, to establish the Observatory at 6 a.m. to-day meteorological and wireless organisation, to carry out home trials and to fly the two airships to India and back. When this experimental programme has been successfully completed, says the Memorandum, airship design and construction will have been placed upon an entirely new and more practical basis, and the way

throughout the Empire. WEST INDIES SERVICE.

will be clear for carrying out

further experiments which are re-

quired to establish the practicabi-

lity of regular airship operation

Dealing with aeroplane transport developments in various parts of the empire, the Memorandum refers to the investigations conducted by the Air Ministry Committee into the An application for formal re- opportunities for the operation of mand was made at the Central Ma- civil air transport in the neighgistracy this morning when Cheung | bourhood of the West Indies. It Pak-san was charged with possess- states that, consisting as they do ing and uttering a forged \$10 of a group of islands extending over, roughly, 1,800 miles, and Mr. D. McCallum appeared on separated by considerable distances, prisoner's behalf, and pleaded not the West Indies are in a position to guilty. He applied for bail and desire the maximum benefit from offered \$500, but the police object- the rapid transport facilities afforded, and defendant was remanded in ed by air services. The Committee's report is not yet complete, but it recognises that a service throughout the West Indies is impracticable at present, owing to the comparatively small volume of traffic likely to be forthcoming, and the

necessity of a large subsidy. It, therefore, considers that local services should first be established on those sections which offer the The Air Ministry announces that best chance of early commercial Viscount Esher has presented a success, with gradual extensions handsome trophy to be awarded subsequently. The Committee proannually to the squadron of the poses that these initial services Auxiliary Air Force adjudged to should include a service in British be the best all-round squadron of Guiana, a service from British the year. One of the London Guiana to Trinidad a coastal sersquadrons, commanded by Lord vices from Trinidad to Curaçoa and Edward Grosvenor, wins the Maracaibo and a service from trophy this year, British Wire Trinidad to the Barbados, British

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SUNNING CASE.

FRESH EVIDENCE.

New evidence was given in the Sunning case at the Central Magistracy yesterday when the stevedore who was taken in No. bont when it left the vessel and was subsequently captured b H.M.S. Bluebell, was called to give evidence.

Referring to the later incidents on the Sunning, witness said the pirates forced him to help them to lower the boat and they took him on board, together with the Sunning's carpenter, who is the nineteenth defendant.

Ten men left the vessel in the bont, there being eight pirates, including Nos, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, and 8. Witness and the carpenter rowed the boat, and when the Bluebell hove in sight one of the pirates suggested that the arms should be seen No. 20 carrying a gun. dumped overboard "to free them from trouble." There were two rifles in the boat and they were dumped together with four other firearms.

Money Handed Over.

banknotes and asked me to keep below to the steerage. it for him," continued witness. "I took it from him and case, the manager of a Chinese put it in my pocket. No. , 1 de- drug store who was also on the fendant handed the ship's carpen- Sunning said he went to the cabin ter \$1,000 in notes and he also occupied by his aunt when shots put the money in his pocket.

a rope was thrown and I caught | the pirates found nothing of value were all taken on board with the Shanghai money. He was driven exception of one man who went with the others to the saloon deck, overboard from the ship's boat. but escaped and found refuge in I was on the Bluebell first and I the cook's quarters. did not see what happened to him. I was tied up and taken in charge lowered and he heard that all the as a pirate."

Questioned, the stevedore said that there was a heavy sea a high He was still of that opinion. wind while they were in the ship's boat and at one time it was half | 20. He carried a short firearm full of water which had to be baled out. 👍 "

In Sight of A Warship.

Mr. Lindsell: Why were you willing to take these notes from No. 4 and relieve him of evidence of his guilt?—I was afraid they might shoot me if I refused to take

Mr. Lindsell: "A British man o' war was in sight and coming to the rescue and you were afraid?-Yes. We saw the warship but she was still some dis-

tance away at that time.

Mr. Lindsell: When you were on the Bluebell did you tell anybody about this money?-Everything I had was taken away when I was searched, but I told a Cantonese steward about it.

Mr. Lindsell (to the Crown Solicitor) Beyond the fact that the ship's carpenter was in possession of \$1,000 is there anything else against him?

The Carpenter.

Mr. Holmes: That is the only point against him. Careful con sideration has been given to the question of this defendant, and as soon as this man's evidence was finished I was going to point out that the money was the only evidence against the man,

Some silver was found with the notes on the carpenter and that may require explanation, added Mr. Holmes.

He also stated that the witness's case and that of the carpenter were similar.

Mr. Lindsell said that in view of the evidence he did not see how the Crown could hold the man, and Mr. Holmes said that if His Worship found there was no prima facie case against him he hoped the carpenter would be released.

Passenger's Story.

A Chinese lady, Liela Allison, gave evidence at the afternoon hearing. She said that on the afternoon of the piracy she was talking to a compradore when she saw hands brandishing revolvers near the grille on the saloon deck,

She was frightened when she saw the weapons and stayed in the room where she was sitting. On the compradore's advice she

then went to her cabin and gave a certain amount of money and jewellery to a steward. She gave him two gold bangles and \$256 in notes, but had not seen her property since.

Three armed men then went into her cabin, and when one pointed to the rings on her fingers she took them off and handed them over. Owing to the difference in dialects she was unable to understand what one of the men asked for, but he made signs indicating

cabin and said she could

Refuge in Steerage.

Shortly before midnight when Road, Shanghai. the firing started, No. 1. went into her cabin and forced her, together with other passengers, towards the saloon deck. Witness "No. 4 handed me over \$90 in escaped however and bolted down

'At the morning hearing of the were fired and there he was "When the Bluebell came nearer | searched several times although We then made fast and we on him. Altogether he lost \$180 in

From there he saw a boat pirates had left the ship with the exception of the disabled ones.

Witness said he recognised No. and announced at one time "I am the officer directing operations

The Court rose at 5.30 p.m. yesterday adjourning until Thursday morning.



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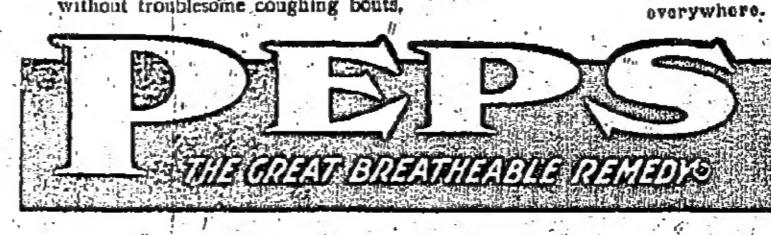
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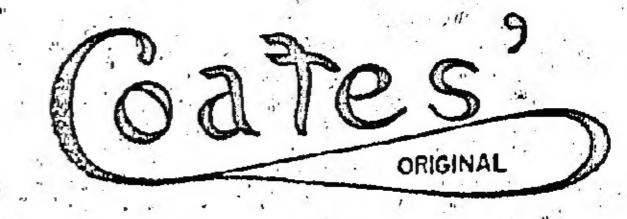
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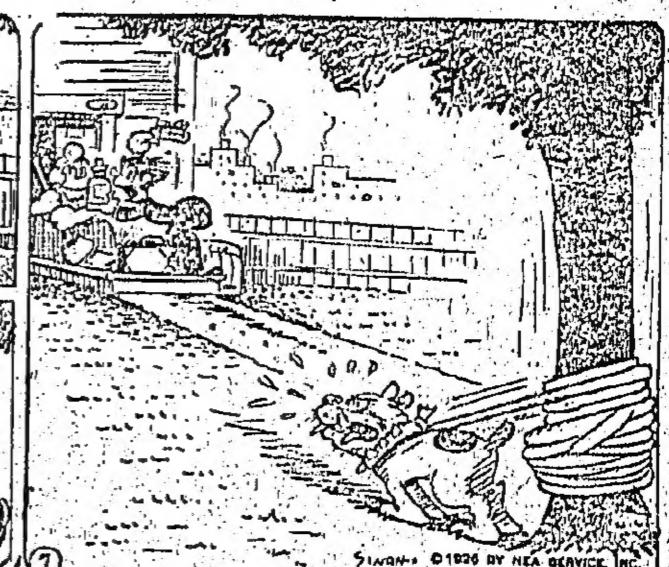
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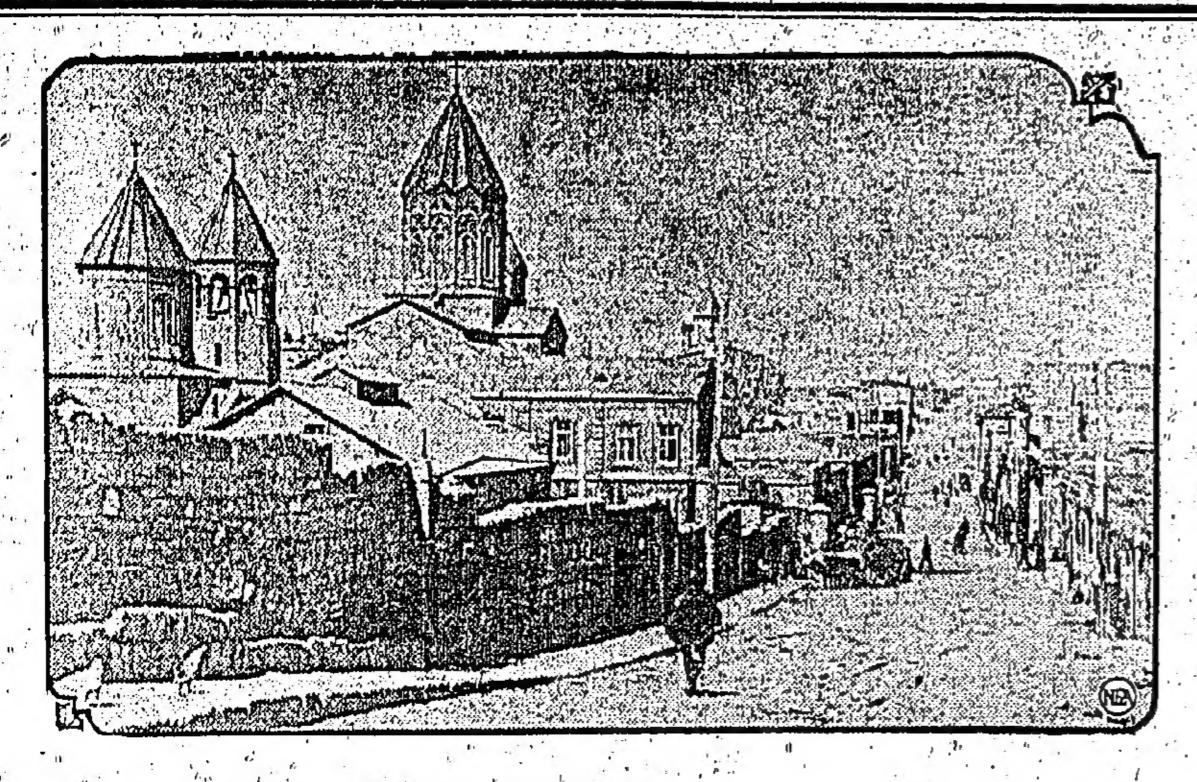








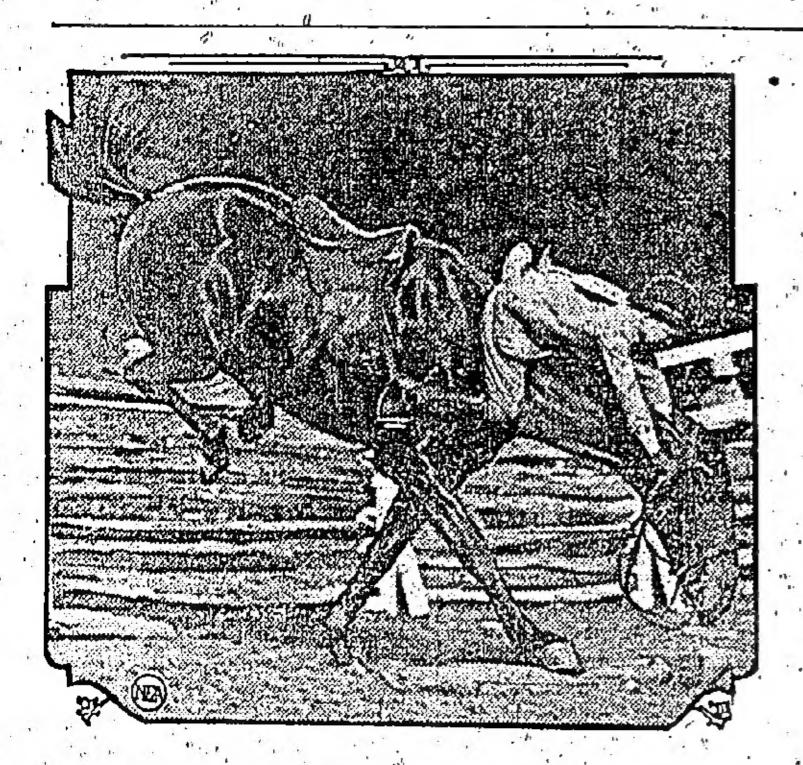
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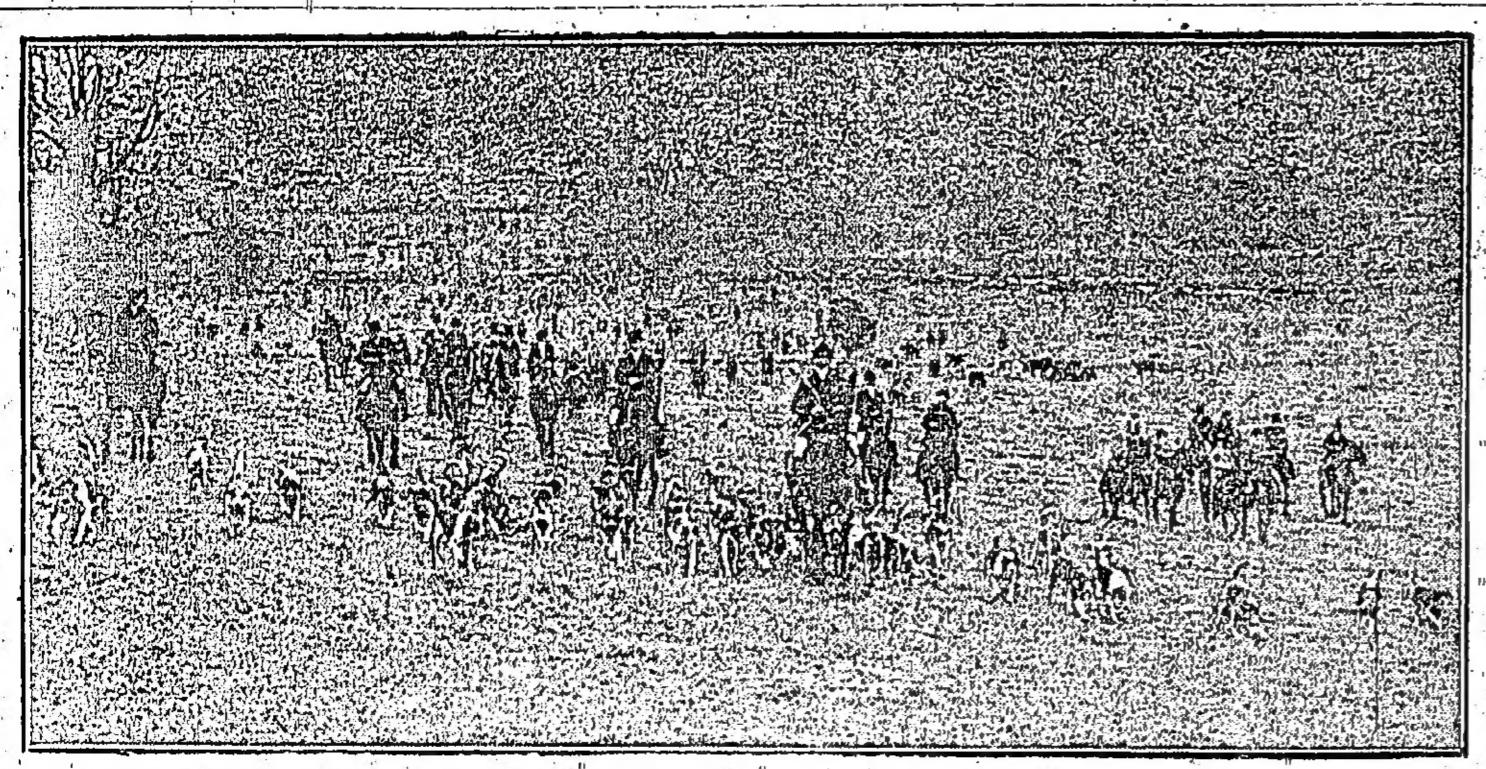
A TOTAL WRECK.—What's left of the automobile shown in this picture was dragged along for 50 feet after a freight engine struck it in Beaumont, Texas. But the two occupants of the car escaped practically unhurt.



A BAD SPILL.—Townsend Winwill was kicked as d badly injured a second after the camera caught him slipping over the head of his mount at the Piping Rock Horse Show, Long Island.



SIGNING ON.—Here are a few American artists who signed up for this season's Sunday evening concerts in the U.S.A. Left to right, standing: Allen McQuhae, tenor.; Albert Spalding, violinist; Reinald Werrenrath, baritone; Louis Edlin, orchestra conductor; Charles Hackett, tenor. Seated: Anna Case, soprano; A. Atwater Kent, manager; Mary Lewis, soprano; Ann Mack, soprano.



AN OPENING MEET IN WORCESTERSHIRE.—The Croome Hounds moving off after the opening meet of the season held at Croome Court, Worcestershire, the residence of Lord Coventry. Croome Court can be seen in the background. (Times copyright.)



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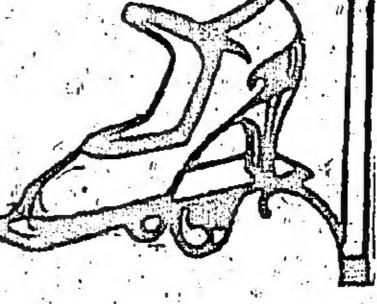
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CRICKET NOTES.

[BY "TWO LEGS."]

Like the previous week, all the matches played last Saturday were will content ourselves with saybrought to a definite conclusion. ing that last week the Y.M. won Both the Kowloon teams just a billiards match with H.M.S. Vinmanaged to notch the full three dictive, and a hockey match with points on the last over of the day, Submarine L.20. while at Sookunpoo, the I.R.C. and | Coming events, of course, are al-Navy encounter was very closely ways more interesting to talk fought.

and S., Civil Service maintained Services. The Social Committee their undefeated record, and con- is arranging the programme tinue to head the First Division which contains both Y.M. Mem-League table. The visitors could bers, and Service men. The social furnish no opposition at all to the starts at 9 p.m., and refreshments bowling of Ling and Sayer, and it will be served in the course of the only took 14.1 overs between them evening. As this article is an to get the whole side out for the official communication, we would, small total of 31 runs. Civil Ser- on behalf of the Y.M.C.A., give vice have now obtained 10 points a very hearty invitation to any out of 12, and will take a deal member of either Service, to come of catching-up, but it can be ex- along on Thursday evening. He pected that Kowloon and the Navy will be assured of a welcome to will go after them in real earnest. the Building.

in the Navy win over the I.R.C. team from H.M.S. Ambrose. The His bowling, (or was it his re- Y.M. team consists of Messrs, W. putation as a first-class bowler?), Brown; E. Clough; W. R. Greenhad a demoralising effect on the halgh; N. Trambitsky; J. C. Long, Indian batsmen, most of whom and L. Jack. were over-cautious when facing him. He would have returned a much better analysis than his 6 Social". Committee has been for 50, but for quite a few "fluky" shots off him which went for "fours." With a little over 100 Christmas, and it has decided to runs to make, the Navy were unfortunate to find the Indian to invite as a guest to the bowlers. in tip-top form, and had Christmas Day tiffin some member to fight hard for every run. the experience behind them, however, they were down the bowling, day. In addition, in the evening and snatched a narrow victory.

about their superiority over night. Craigengower, it must have been proved very costly. Hamson was the only Craigengower bowler who Castle Peak, for ten. met with any success.

At Causeway Bay, Capt. Dobbie found the C.R.C. defence somewhat easy to penetrate; in securing seven wickets, he only conced-Hankey was in great form with the bat. He treated the Chinese bowling with scanturespect, and cated. has the honour of being the second batsman to score a century in League cricket this season: Seven of the C.R.C. men had a turn with the ball; and in delivering a total of 33 overs, had the unpleasant experience of failing to obtain a single wicket between

In the Second Division, the Police had matters all their own way against Civil Service. Lacey was chiefly responsible for the dismissal of Civil Service for the total of 47 runs, and Alexander again came to the fore with a use-

ful contribution of 31. The Navy suffered two defeats in the same week; last Wednesday, the R.A.O C. secured three points at their expense, and on Saturday, they went down again to Kowloon. On account of these reverses, the Navy, who were in a very favourable position, have practically put themselves out of the running for

The Club de Recreio accounter for Tamar, thanks to the all-round display of Alves. At a time when their best bowlers were being scored off rather freely, the Recreio put on Alves, and in seven overs he had the satisfaction of capturing six wickets for a little under five runs each, and afterwards, going in first for his side he helped in a large way to knock off the runs put up by the opponents, and carried his bat for well-played 60.

another strong side, when they re- than their first team. ceive the Civil Service 1st XI. The Tovernment Servants are expected to retain their lead in the more than ordinary interest totable. After a rest of two weeks, quite a few, is the annual "battle the University will travel to Kow- of the Blues," which will be loon. I hear Rumjahn has a "fought" on Wednesday December great partiality for the Kowloon 22nd, venue, Hongkong Cricket ground, and the home team will Club Ground. On the last occado well to concentrate on getting sion that these sides met, Oxford him out as soon as possible. should not be surprised to see this of that game was the bright batgame end in a draw.

League, but as they will be playing | the remarkable analysis of 6 for the Navy this week, they will pro- 11.

Y. M. C. A. NOTES.

LATEST ACTIVITIES.

Old news gets very state, so we

about, and this week we have an interesting meeting on Thursday By easily defeating the R. E. night. It is a singsong for the

On Wednesday night, the Col. Cantrell played a big part Y.M.C.A. billiards team meets a

Christmas is looming in the very near future, and the mind of the exercised as to what way the Y. M. could best show the spirit of ask the Members of the Y. M. each of the Services. It is hoped to get forty guests along on that there will be a grand Christmas party when high revelry will be Although there was no doubt the order of the day, or rather

Next Saturday the "Flying Y2" observed that Kowloon were will hold its fortnightly run. We lucky to win just on time, as they hope that the monotony of the cirtook the last two wickets in the cuit will not deter people, but it last over. The fielding of the is not the fault of the "Flying Y" visiting side was "patchy" for the that there is only one road. When most part, the easy chance that another is built we will use it! Ramsay gave early on in his in- We shall start from the Y. M. nings which was not accepted, Building at 2.15 p.m., and a stop will be made at the Cafeteria,

The speaker at the next Quiet Hour, Sunday, December 19th, will be the Rev. Walter Scott, Chaplain

of H.M.S. Hawkins. Contributions for the Red Triangle are invited. They should ... ed 31 runs. For the winners, Lt. be preferably in lighter vein. Send contributions to the Y. M. c/o The Secretary. Communi-

"POO SANG" OPIUM SEIZURE.

OWNERS FINED \$250 THIS MORNING. The owners of the s.s. Poo Sang, on which a big opium selzure was recently made, were fined \$250 by Mr. R. E. Lindsell this morning, for allowing, the vessel

to be used for the transportation of opium. Mr. H. Lo appeared for the defendants and entered a plea of

The police did not press the charge, it being stated that the place of hiding being in the sole plate, the owners could not have been expected to know what was going on. An engineer had absconded.

bably have to wait for a better opportunity to open their account. The I.R.C. are known to be able to give of their best against formidable opponents, and the Cricket Club will be well advised to field a strong team against them. "On paper," the Club should win.

In the Junior Division, the University will be at home to R.A.O.C. These teams appear to be of even strength, and a draw is not unlikely. Although the Navy have not been playing any too well in their last two matches, the Police. will not find it altogether too easy to secure a win. I think the This week, there will be another I.R.C. will be able to account for full programme, no less than H.K.C.C. at Sookunpoo. The Inseven matches being down for de- dian 2nd. XI, comparatively cision. C.R.C. will be up against speaking, are very much stronger

Another match which will be of were overwhelmed. The feature ting display of Capt. Warters who made 118, Lt. Halsey was also The R. E. and S. have still to responsible to a great extent for register their first point in the the "Cantab" victory; he returned

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LIBERAL SPLIT.

MR. LLOYD GEORGE PUTS PARTY OUT OF STEP.

London, Dec. 14. The fusion of all the Liberal forces and funds, which was a resolution made at a meetic. of the Party on November, 24 following on offer by Mr. Lloyd George to finance the Liberals at the next General Election, now seems unlikely.

Viscount Grey, presiding at a dinner in honour of Mr. Vivian Phillips, the chief Liberal or-ganiser, declared there was no question of leadership or creating an organised schism within the Party, but a feeling of mutual trust was absolutely impossible. Confidence had been destroyed, and it was impossible to keep step with Mr. Lloyd George.

"If we said we were ready to march side by side we should be ready to fall out of step within a shortetime. It is not we but he who changes step. It is not Lord Asquith and his friends who are responsible for disunion."

Viscount Grey thought Mr. Lloyd George's 'speech' about China was detrimental to British interests and would make a settlement of the China problem more difficult. "British policy and reputation has already been very unfairly represented in China. That any leading man in public life in Britain should have made a speech to add to this impression abroad is most unfortunate."

When the resolution was passed on Nov. 24, the Asquithians, headed by Mr. Vivian Phillips, walked out in protest .- Reuter.

Three hundred prominent Liberals attended the Party dinner including the "Shadow cabinet' signatories of a letter supporting Lord Oxford's attitude towards Mr. Lloyd George after the genera

Viscount "Grey's " speech in. 50. which the cause and consequences of the differences in the Liberal Party were frankly examined, was enthusiastically received. He declared they were not prepared to conceal the fact that confidence had been destroyed by Mr. Lloyd George's conduct in regard to the disposition of party funds, which he controlled; by the manner in vhich his land campaign had been launched, by his action during the general strike, by his mor recent speech on China, and by his suggestion that the Liberal ideal should be merely to hold the balance of power in the future in Parliament and insist on terms with the Labour Party.-British

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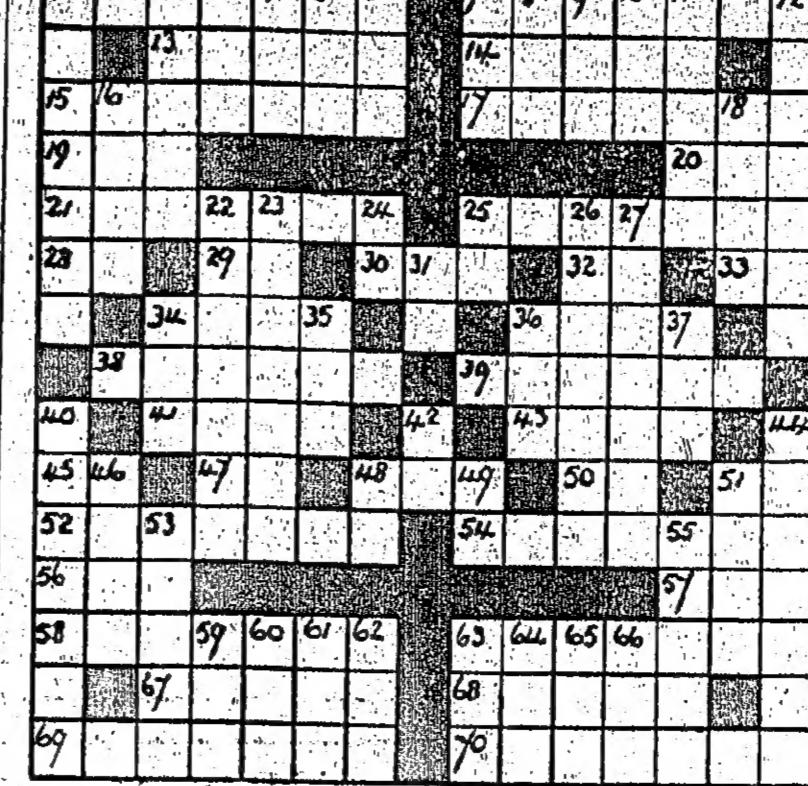
MR. C. H. BELL.

A delegram has been, received in Shanghai announcing the death of Mr. Cyril Hennessey Bell, A.C.A., head of the Hankow branch of the firm of Thomson & Co., chartered accountants.

The late Mr. Bell, who was little over 40 years of age, arrived in Shanghai about 15 years ago to join the firm of Thomson & Co. and after a short stay went to Hankew to open a branch of the firm in that port, and he remained in charge of the branch continuously up to the time of his death.

Coming from thorough Irish stock, Mr. Bell inherited the most pronounced sporting instincts of the race. In his time he owned and trained many race ponies in Hankow and, though proverbially as blind as a bat and having none too robust a constitution, insisted on riding his own ponies both on the flat and in steeplechases and he was a regular thruster in the country, riding the straightest and hardest course of any. His physical handicaps prevented him becoming a great jockey, but he was not without his successes and many times was first past the post." He counted Rugby football as in no way inferior to riding and played on every possible occasion for sheer love of the game.

CROSSWORD PUZZLE.



To lend. Vegetable. A curved bone. To Hamper.

Medical officer (Abb.) In the matter of.

Association of motorists. Point of compass. The state of a thing. A wealthy man. 'Small lump of material.

Fortification. Having much knowledge

Unprofessional,

Length of life: Conical ball of threa Single.

Deprive of weapon

Small spot.

Singers, C.

Part of a telescope. . A row. Fence in.

Point of compass. Entertaining. · A male. To direct. A fish.

Shade of brown 40. A stray child. Alternative. Baby's bottles. 46. Continous pain. 48. An adverb.

Printer's measure. °An asterisk Many-headed snake. Conscious of. Used on water. A vase. An insect. Short for "Edward"

Put together. A harmless tumour.

'To weep convulsively.

Yesterday's Puzzle.

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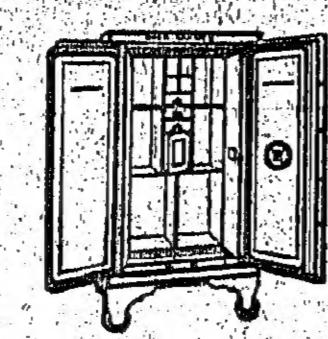
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UNKINDLY CHURLS.

Puck was wiser than most of us realise when he exclaimed "Lord. what fools these mortals be," for If he could sit up aloft and look at this little Colony of Hongkong and note the doings and sayings of people in connection with the Philharmonic Society's presentation of "The Pirates of Penzance" he would eign community almost marconed a far-away isle, longing for tasteful and educational diversion and generally full of lament at the starvation we suffer so far as social enjoyments go. One or two of the from utter submersion by efforts in the A.D.C., the Philharmonic Society, the Male Voice Choir, etc., and theirs is a worthy enthusism, surely? For weeks past some few dozen men and women have been swotting and working to produce a Gilbert and Sullivan opera. Principals, chorus, orchestra, directors, and everybody concerned have put in an enormous amount of hard work, just for the love of the thing, and the result is an extremely enjoyable "show." One can hear again the brilliant versifying and sparkling wit of Gilbert and the beautiful lyrics of Sullivan, Was there ever a wittier "A modern Major-General" or more haunting melody than 'Poor wand'ring one? Surely, we ought to have our minds more on the enjoyment of those gems than on the little lack of first-class quality which is inseparable from amateur

enterprise? And yet this week's presentation by the Philharmonic Society has brought heartless and very unkind condemnation on the heads of those who have tried to entertain us. In our Sunday contemporary there was a "criticism" by "Thespian" which for pompous superiority and downright animosity would be hard to beat. In yesterday's Morning Post an anonymous correspondent got an obvious "grounch" off his chest by slamming at practically everything and everybody taking

part, Wo mourn for entertainment and proceed to bash on the head anybody who tries to provide it. That is rather a remarkable proceeding, to say the least of it. The newspapers are generally accused of saying that everything is fine and Beautiful whether it really is so or not, and although there is an occusional use of extravagant language by a reporter striving to say domething which will please, we would like to know what it would profit us, or our readers, or those of whom we would write, if we condemned and damned all that was not absolutely perfect. These people who crave for the bare, ungarnished and naked truth generally do the craving as regards other people, and to them we would bay that they are not more original, more discerning, or better qualified to judge than are others. They are only more churlish and snobbish. We are not going to pretend in this column that the "Pirates of Penzance" is a perfectly produced opera and that its principals, chorus and orchestra could not be improved upon, but we do maintain that the production is an eminently worthy one, that it can be thoroughly enjoyed and that all concerned are deserving of compliments and encouragement. . . Gratuitous and self-appointed critics who fail to keep before them a keen realisation of the real difficulties, the hard work cheerfully performed and the unselfish purpose of those who engage in amateur theatre productions can well be ignored as just so many unkindly churls who do nothing but darken our soci

The Strike Weapon.

If we are to judge from a recent statement by Mr. J. R. Clynes, Labourites at Home have come to the conclusion that there are better and more effective means of securing industrial rights than by the use of the general strike weapon. Whilst the coal strike was still in progress, Mr. Clynes asserted that another general stoppage would end in disaster. He admitted that perforce have to hold his sides in the strike weapon in reserve had spasms of satirical yet saddening been invaluable, but said it should week ended Saturday last, shows laughter. Here we are a little for- be sparingly used, and, when em- two Chinese cases of diphtheria. particular parties against whom regarding theatre entertainment on there was a grievance, and not upon the nation. "In most cases," he added, "a substitute for the strike is the vote." Form some other remarks which Mr. Clynes made, it is clear that Labour now realises the danger of losing public sympathy by resorting to extreme more adventurous have kept us methods. That was strongly evident on the occasion of the last general strike. It is not that the public may not sympathise with reasonable demands on behalf the workers, but what is strongly resented is that any body of men should seek to hold up the whole nation in order to wring concessions from employers. That is sheer tyranny, and as such will never be tolerated by the British public. "In no country in the world," says Mr. Clynes, "have the working classes and their friends a finer opportunity than is offered in England for the use of their political power," and he spoke words of wisdom when he appealed to the workers to cultivate a fearless and awakened political intelligence, operating through constitutional methods. If the industrial unrest of the year now ending has not produted anything more valuable than or cleverer piece of doggeral than this recognition of the folly of the unrestrained use of the strike weapon, the troubles experienced wil not have been in vain.

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DAY BY DAY.

WE ADVOCATE EDUCATION, NOT MERELY TO MAKE THE MAN THE BETTER WORKMAN, BUT THE WORK-MAN THE HETTER MAN. Lord

There was a clean bill of health in the Colony yesterday.

The B.I. steamer Talma is to leave Amoy to-morrow and is due here on the following day.

"Wake Up Hongkong."-This subject has been sufficiently wel ventilated; and correspondence thereon is now closed.

The forthcoming wedding

unnounced of Mr. Walter Shillito Vaughan Curtis, electrical engineer, 23 A, Cameron Road, Kow loon, to Miss Mercer of the Italian. Convent Caine Road Five British vessels arrived in port and a similar number departed

o'clock this morning. " The total arrivals were nine and departures fourteen. The total number of ships in harbour was seventy-one, Mr. H. W. Stevenson, the world famous billiard player, passed

through Hongkong yesterday en route to Shanghai and Japan on the s.s. Takliwa. Mr. Stevenson expects to return to the Colony about January 6th, and will play at several local Clubs.

From Messrs. Holyonk, Massey and Co. we have received handy little diary containing many facts in regard to electrical equipment as well as a comprehensive map of China. It is issued by the Westinghouse Electric International Company.

Awakened by the flash of an electric torch, the inmates of a matshed near No. 99, Wongneichong Road, were robbed of money, clothing and jewellery valued at \$120 in the early hours of this morning. The robber was armed with a re-

A workman at the "University. whilst cleaning one of the windows of the Great Hall yesterday afternoon, fell and was killed Some of the students who were preparing to take their examinations examined the man with view to rendering first aid, but found that life was extinct.

The return of the number of cases of notifiable disease which occurred in the Colony during the ployed, it should be against the one of which was fatal, and eight Chinese cases of enteric fever, of which one was imported and five fatal. One Chinese case of diphtheria was reported on Monday.

> The Secretariat for Chinese Affairs will be removed during the Christmas holidays from the present offices in Beaconsfield Arcade to more commodious premises in the New Fire Station building opposite the Central Market. The offices of the Education Department and the Imports and Exports Department will also be removed to the new building.

The following ships are expected to be in wireless communication with Hongkong to-day, ed classes. Nanning, Kum Sang, Aki Maru, Kashima Maru, Pres. McKinley, Pres. Wilson, "Borelis, Andes Maru, Klungchow, Haining, Sinkiang, Gemma, Fushimi Maru, and difficulties arise. Fingal, Chaksang, Japan. Lung Shan, Mausang, Hozan Maru, Hector, Tjikarang, Tjipanas, Myrmidon, Prosper, Kotsu Maru, Fortuna, Anhui, Uga Maru, Daininisshim Maru and Talma.

A middle aged European boarder of the Kowloon Hotel was charged before Mr. J.H.B. Nihill at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday with failing-to pay for his board and lodging. Mr. Perry, manager of the Hotel, applied for permission to with- in one of the leading daily I am thirty-two." draw the charge, stating that he papers: believed that the defendant was "How to save gas bills. Full be replied, but it certainly struck unable to pay the \$91 due but would settle his bill as soon as he possibly could. The case was merely brought to show that things could not be done with impunity. His Worship granted the application and dismissed the

THE EMPEROR OF JAPAN.

PRINCE REGENT DECIDES STAY WITH FATHER.

Tokyo, Dec. 14. The Prince Regent's Intention of returning to Tokyo to-day has been. cancelled owing to the Emperor's condition. Router.

PRETTY WEDDING:

WELL-KNOWN CHINESE MARRIED.

An interesting and extremely of Messrs. Sincere's buying office of its all-round excellence and a in Löndon recently, returning to well-contrived romance. the Colony in April, After the

by her father, was attired in a supply a happy mixture of mirth gown of flesh pink satin, embroider- and music. ed in pastel colours, with a net veil | Something really good is and pearl bandeaux and orange promised for the three days from blossom, and carried a bouquet, of to-morrow to Saturday, when during the 24 hours up to nine white chrysanthemums and white Gloria Swanson will be seen in roses. She had as her brides- "The Humming Bird." maids Misses Ada Kwok, Llly Tb, Elsie Ma and Annie Ma, whilst Miss Mary Lee attended as matron Pun being at the organ. of Honour and Miss Kum Oi as flower girl. The bridesmaids were attired in dresses of pale mauve, Road, the home of the bridegroom, pale orange and pale green georgette, trimmed with silver lace and beads, and they carried bouquets Restaurant, West Point. of pink and white roses.

Mr. Mn Hin-wing, cousin of the groom was a gold pocket watch bridegroom, was the "best man" whilst the bridegroom gave the and Mr. Ma Wai-man attended as bride a diamond and platinum wrist

the Rev. E. W. L. Martin, assisted cheque; bridegroom's mother to by the Rev. Lee Kau-yan, whilst bride, diamond bracelet.

QUEEN'S THEATRE.

ANOTHER VARIED PROGRAMME.

The management of the Queen's pretty wedding took place this Theatre still continues its policy afternoon at the Church of Christ of offering attractively varied proin China, Bonham Road, when Miss grammes. At present, in addition Ruby H. Y. To, daughter of Mr. to an interesting news reel, there D. Jackman, manager of the Wing is being show "The Snob," a very On Co., Ltd., was married to Mr. powerful story with a practically William W. L. Ma, eldest son of all-star cast, the leading parts Mr. Ma Wing Chan, managing dir- being taken by John Gilbert and ector of Messrs. Sincere and Norma Shearer. There is plenty Company's Chinese department of action in this picture, which The bridegroom has been in charge makes a strong appeal by reason.

: A further attraction is provided Chinese New Year, the newly-wed by Dick Norton and his clever couple expect to return to England. little "band of "Globe" Trotters," The bride, who was given away who give some new items which

the service was choral, Dr. S. W.

Subsequent to the ceremony a reception was held at No. 3, Kennedy and to-morrow night a dinner party is to take place at the Yee . Wo

The bride's gift to the bridewatch. Other gifts included:-The officiating clergyman was Bridegroom's father to bride.

The Mary Malla 1

most comment were those with a property. body designed by the son of H. G.

two sons. -Mr. Wells is a great writer. One son is a great motor designer: The other a great film executive, ed, by many authorities the Mr. Wells never asked his sons to greatest novelist of all time fir t be writers because he was in- landed in New York, he insisted terested in that work. He asked to reporters who asked him for them only to do that job they could literary opinions that he knew best, because they liked it best.

marriages and fewer divorces mark of a really great man. No before women were educated matter how far he hits the ball, no And to-day the happiest marriages matter what laurels garland his are among the so-called uneducat- brow, he sees a goal beyond; the

for simple people. It is only done nothing as yet, that he knows when two over-educated people nothing. become united that complexities

and monopolize education they whole world to bear witness to will never know domestic happi- his mighty prowess!

Just some quotes from a critic's "Perhaps it is hest after all," summary of a new play in London-remarked the rejected suitor as town, the theme of which is he lingered in the hall. "A man merely this aren't we making a of twenty-five would soon tire of mess of things by educating a wife who hovered round the

'An economical old gentleman read the following advertisement

particulars will be sent on receipt me that you were somewhere near of one shilling."

The old gentleman, whose gas bills were rather heavy, wrote for particulars, enclosing the fee of one shilling. The reply came in a few days:

"Paste them in a book!"

man, Thomas Rippin, lived at beinge." Holbeach, Lincolnshire. Born Sounds good, but why spoil the of the wheels and screws he used should we?

At the recent British motor were stolen, and when the thief show, the cars which attracted was captured, Rippin identified his

Wells, noted novelist and thinker. Rajah S. M. Saadat Ali Khan, It was not because of the name of of Nanpara, India, has just had an the designer but because of the automobile built especially "for cars themselves with their dis- tiger hunting: A. British firm tinguished lines that crowds made the machine. The automogathered. A second son of the bile has a 50-horsepower motor great writer is making a name for and accommodates six passengers. himself in the film industry of There is a special light to dazzle America. Many fathers, who the tigers. Turned on at night, wonder why the heavens cursed this bewilders and fascinates the them with such a ne'er-do-well son beasts of the jungle. The car is who won't come into the business, equipped with a plant for cooling carry on for them, and be a bless water, and special ammunition ing in their old age, might ponder carriages concealed in the body. upon the case of Mr. Wells and his . It is said the machine cost \$20,000 (gold).

When Joseph Conrad, considernothing about such things. "I am not a literary man," he said, going into his shell: There you "There were millions of happy have the almost universal earbetter, bigger thing to be done. "For marriage is a simple thing He continues to insist that he has

It is the little fellow who has accomplished very little who "Until men defranchise women struts his stuff and asks the

thirty-two mark."

"Why, Mr. Ardent," said the woman in the case, "how very ungallant of you to insinuate that "Well, perhaps you are not,"

the freezing point.

Women's clubs of America spend more than 200 million dollars yearly, comments Ida Clyde Clark, writer and lecturer. She comments that most of this 200 million dollars is filched from husbands pants pockets. She Blind people are reputed to be razzes sex barriers in club work singularly clever with their fin and says that "It's high time we gers, but a watchmaker, born topped working as sex groups blind, is seldom heard of. Such a and started working as human

blind, he could take apart and put men's clubs, and why have ours together again watches of most spoiled? All theories to the condelicate mechanism, and in less trary, we aren't alike we don't time than most watchmakers who especially like chewing the rag have good eyesight. Once some about the same thing, and why

HAPPY VALLEY

SUES EUROPEAN FOR ASSAULT.

SEQUEL TO SINGING.

The rattle of moving furniture, of the night, and, lastly, the loud ed in song, were: submitted as George's Building this morning. Court this morning.

Shek-ha, 13, a "boy" employed Committee shall decide. at the recently-opened "The Kid" Mr. R. G. Shewan occupied the represented the defendant.

At the outset, Mr. Vaux asked J. Toppin, H. Dreyer, and I. W. for permission for his client to Shewan. take a seat beside him.

Mr. Lindsell:-Is he sick? Mr. Vaux replied in the negative. It was for the purpose of men, receiving instructions.

THE ASSAULT.

Mr. Leask, in opening his case, said that the complainant was employed at "The Kid," a cafe which had been opened for about three months at No. 8, Koon Ma Terrace, Happy Valley. This was in pra- Company. mises adjacent to those tenanted by Mr. King, at No. 6. Between ments to meet, and we therefore the two houses there was a yard propose to create such further common to both and of which common use was made by both tenants.

On the evening in question, said Mr. Leask, at about 8 o'clock. on the 3rd December, without any cause or provocation whatever, Mr. King came out of his house, went into the premises of "Th Kid," seized the boy by the neck, and slapped as well as kicked him. There was some complaint made about noise, but in any event the boy could not understand. Certainly he gave no provocation watever.

In giving evidence, the boy said that he was busy cleaning up the furniture in the yard," when two coolie-women, "whose business should have been carried out at a much later hour, called, and he was commencing to remonstrate with them when water was thrown at preference shares which shall carry __Reuter's American Service. him from the next house. He was the same special rights and pridrenched from head to foot, but, vileges as are attached to the existbeyond a few words uttered in re- ing preference shares and shall in something to that effect. monstration, he took no further all respects rank pari passa therenotice. Later, as he was taking with." in the furniture, the defendant rushed in after him, and while with and the resolution was unanimousone hand seizing him by the neck, ly passed. he slapped witness with the other,

mill blow," and, in further examina- allotted at such time or times and tion, witness said that he was also in such manner and for such purstruck with the clenched fist and poses in every respect as the Com-

SANG AT WORK.

Witness, replying to the Magistrate, said he could not think of the resolution was carried unanimany provocation being given for ously. the assault, although he admitted that he sang whilst he worked.

Mr. Vaux said that the story given by the boy was wholly different to what he had expected it to ing, and, when spoken to by Mr. smashed some crockery. The window was placed high above the ground, and the boy had to climb and hold on to the bars to effect his

In cross-examination, the complainant denied that he threw any missile into the kitchen. Objection was taken to his singing, though.

Mr. Ngan Sai-leung, proprietor of "The Kid" posed that on the night of 3rd December, at about 8.30, on be dismissed. I have already told about their business at an hour hearing a big noise issuing from your Worship the reason of this when he still had customersthe yard, he went out to investi- technical assault and of what had which coolies were working for gate, and found the "boy" crying, happened. The boy had been ob- Mr. King. Witness then understood that some viously noisy and had previously complaint had been made against been spoken to by the defendant's the noise made in the washing, gervants. but had never received any personal complaint from Mr. King himself. He took the "boy" to the doctor, from whom a certi- disturbed at his meal by a "rattle some amusement in Court by ficate was received.

WOULD SPOIL BUSINESS.

the front part of the Cafe at the had been thrown in through the justify the assault. He asked that time, and it would spoil his busi- window and caused the damage. ness, newly opened as it was, to have incidents such as these.

other side? Quite; I do.

MORE CAPITAL.

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TO-DAY'S COMPANY MEETING.

A capital increase of \$1,000,000 the premature call of representa- was authorised by shareholders of tives of a certain class of coolies the Hongkong and Territorial whose work is done in the hours Estates, Limited, at an extraordivoice of a young Chinese lad rais- nary general meeting held at St.

"legitimate" causes for complaint . The shares will not be issued to in an assault case heard by Mr. shareholders generally, but will be R. E. Lindsell at the Central Police | allotted in such manner and for such purposes as the Consulting

Cafe at Happy Valley, summoned | chair, and there were also present Mr. B. King, a director of the Mr. E. M. Raymond (consulting Dragon Motor Car Company, committee) Mr. M. H. Turner Ltd., for assault. Mr. W. L. Gor- (solicitor), Mr. A. Braun (secredon Leask appeared for the com- tary) and the following shareplainant, while Mr. F. C. Vaux holders: Messrs. A. A. Botelho, D W. Munton, A. Keith, A. L. Shields,

> . The Secretary read the notice convening the meeting.

The Chairman said: Gent The object of resolutions in the notice just read is to raise further working capital" by creating and issuing further preference shares in addition to those already created all of which have been allotted, and most of the alotment monies utilised meeting various obligations of the

We have now further heavy paypreference shares to rank pari passu in all respects with the existing preference shares.

We are not offering these shares o shareholders generally, as we do not think that in the present state of the money market any appreciable number of them would he taken up. There is, however, one 'shareholder creditor who, we believe,

willing" ton" come to help, and we are therefore asking. ullotment thereof.

I therefore propose as an ordin- tion of their rights. ary resolution, "That the capital of the Company be increased by the creation of one hundred thousand

The Chairman proposed "That the said new one hundred thou-Mr. Leask described it as a "wind- | sand | preference shares shall be pany's General Managers with the sanction of the Consulting Committee may decide."

This was all the business of the

Have you had any complaints told me it was not him. be. His own case was that the boy about the use of the yard from | So you were ready to pick on was creating a disturbance by sing- the defendant? Complaints? No., anybody that night? Anybody Mr. Leask put in the doctor's that night, irrespective of whether King's cook, he threw pumelo skin certificate, and his Worship said he was big or small. through the window grating and it only mentioned marks on the lit was possible that the cook-

Mr. Leask:-Your Worship will crockery himself?-Well, it was notice that it was at 9.30 when the possible. It was possible also boy was examined, an hour after that I might do it myself. the incident. At least, it will be evidence that the boy, had been you who broke it. slapped, severely.

the defendant slapped the boy He put it to witness that there twice on the face. The matter is one | was legitimate cause for complaint. dealt with under Section No. 39 of from the proprietor of a Cafe to the the Ordinance, and I ask that it have these coolie-women going

Mr. M. King, called to the box, said that he was away all day, and complained that he had been given by the cook-boy, who caused and erash" issuing from the yard. His cook came in to make a complaint, and he went into the kitchen. Examined by Mr. Leask, Mr. where a broken dish was shown to Vaux submitted that the incide it Ngan said they had customers in him and also a pumelo skin which was a trivial one, although it did

ONLY SLAPS.

Going into the yard, he followed was some provocation, but it did I suppose you will agree that half the boy into the premises of the not justify Mr. King in taking the ment, have arrived at Callac. claims saying a settlement has of the yard belongs to your side | Cafe, and slapped him twice, but matter into his own hands and Peru has placed a contract for two been reached without any modiand the other half belongs to the did not strike him. The boy did slap the boy. He fined the defen- more to be built immediately. fleation of United States rights. not cry; he said "Yah, yah" or dant \$10.

DANISH POLITICS.

CHANGES CAUSED BY ELECTIONS.

Copenhagen, Dec. 14. The elections for the Folkething has resulted in the Liberals and Conservatives combined obtaining a majority of five over all other parties, and a majority of eight against the United Socialists and Radicals.

The position of the parties in the Folkething is now similar to that in the Landsthing. The results were: Socialists Liberals 47, Conservatives 30, Radicals 16, Germans 1, Righteous State Party 2. In consequence of the defeat, the Socialist Premier, Th. A. M. Stauning has resigned, and the Socialists, have refused to participate in the formation of a coalition ministry.

M. Mygdal, a well-known agriculurist member of the Folkething, has formed a Liberal Ministry, with himself as Premier and Minister_of Agriculture; M. Moltesen; Foreign Affairs; M. Neergaard. Finance; M. Rytter, Justice; M Slebsager, Commerce; M. Kragh; Interior; M. Brorsen, Defence; M. Bruun Rasmussen, Public Worship; M. Bystkov, Education; M Rubow, Public Health; and M Stensballe, Public Works.-Reuter.

MEXICAN OIL LEASES.

PRODUCERS' ASSOCIATION COMPLAINS.

New York, Dec. 14. The Association of Producers of Oil in Mexico, on behalf of sixteen leading Anglo-American Companies, has telegraphed to the Mexican Secretary of Commerca compaining that many months have elapsed since it applied for confirmation of its rights in respect of leases acquired before May, 1917, and it is still without

an answer: The companies submit that they you to allow your Managers and are justly entitled to ample oppor-Consulting Committee to make the | tunity to consider the final terms best arrangements possible under of any confirmatory concessions the circumstances in respect of the which the Government expects them to accept as a valid recogni-

The telegram reiterates that the law does not provide adequate preservation or valid recognition. new shares of \$10 each to be called of their pre-constitutional rights.

were fairly smart slaps. After the chastisement, he returned to Mr. M. Raymond seconded, his house and resumed his dinner. Mr. Leask:-You heard this crash of crockery. Why did you slap the complainant?—Because my cook-boy had told me that he broke the crockery.

Why did you pick him out? Have you had occasion to have trouble with him before?-I have not. My cook-boy told me who the offender was. .

He did not come out to point Mr. H. Dreyer seconded, and out the complainant?-Yes; he did point him out.

At the same time that he was struck why did you not pick on the witness next to him?-As a matter of fact I was going to start on this man, when the cook-boy

boy might have broken that

But you would know if it was

Mr. Leask then put what he Mr. Vaux:-It is admitted that termed as "a "nasty question."

> Mr. King denied that these coolies were employed by him. ONLY TRIVIAL

At the close of the evidence naively admitting that he did not go for the boy himself because the dish did not belong to him, Mr. the summons be dismissed on these grounds.

Mr. Lindsell held that there

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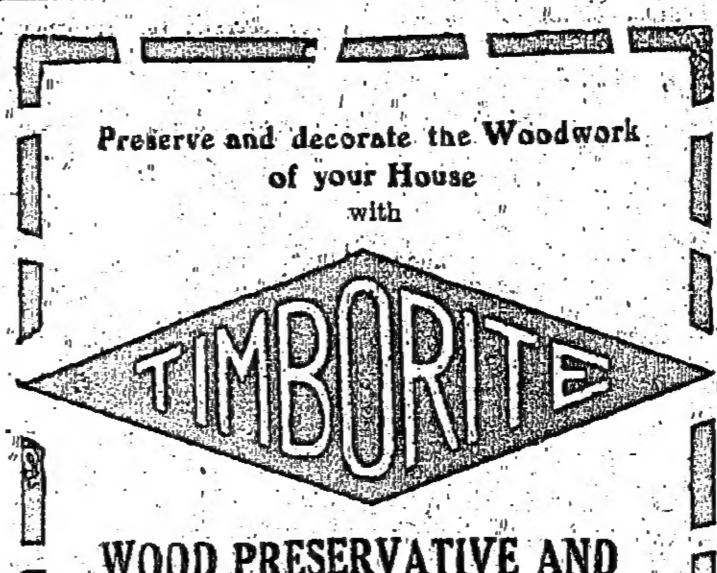
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Washington, Dec. 14. Mr. Kellogg has sent a letter here for the Peruvian Govern- to the Senate on the German

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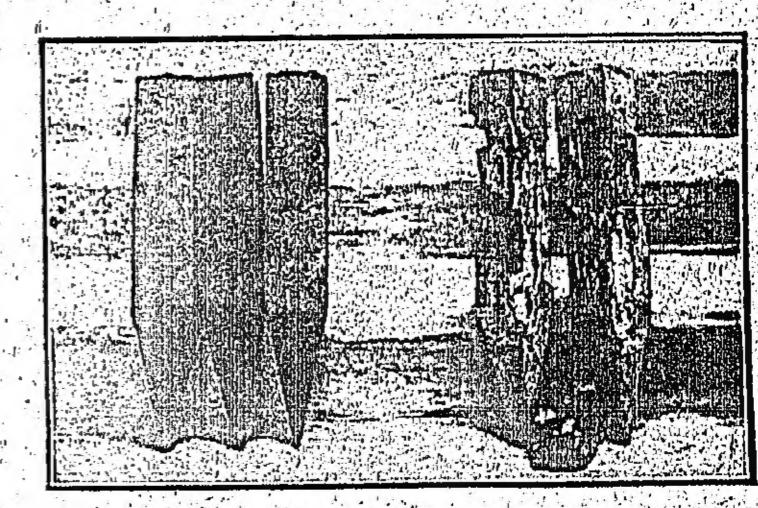
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HONGKONG BOY SCOUTS.

H. E. AT THE ANNUAL MEETING.

A general outline of the scheme or the incorporation of the Hongkong Boys Scouts' Association, was given by His Excellency the Governor at the annual meeting held at St. John's Cathedral last evening when several other speakers also briefly commented upon the Ordinance which was being drafted by Sir Henry Pollock

(Assistant Commissioner), Mr. A. A further possible check was de-White (Secretary), Mr. C. H. tailed scrutiny of expenditure on Blason (Treasurer), and the fol-certain types of arms, such as guns, lowing members of the council, Sir and tanks. Henry Pollock, Major General Admiral Sir Edwyn A. Sinclair and Mrs. Southorn. Others present included the Hon. Sir Shouson Chow, the Hon. Mr. H. W. Bird, Wong Kwong-tin, Dr. S. W T'so, Mr. W. W. Hornell C. I. E., Capt. H. B. L. Dowbiggin, Mr. E Ralphs. Rev. J. Kirk Maconachie, Professor L. Forster, Mr. J. A. Fraser and numerous scout, masters and members of the association.

The Annual Report.

Mr. A. White giving the annual report said inter alia: - It is satisfactory to be able to record that in spite of the troubles through which this part of the Far East is now passing, and occasional set-backs, the lot of any organisation, Scout- | Sir Robert Baden-Powell appointing in Hongkong has continued to ling Dr. Kotewall"as president of advance. The number of Scouts of all ranks, as shown by the census taken at the end of September, has increased, and two new Troops have been formed.

Many projects which we have had in view have perforce been delayed for various reasons, in the main owing to the general unrest n China and its effect on the particularly financial The most important of these, the formation of a Council, is being aken in hand to-day, and the next in importance, the organisaion of a Training Camp for Offiers, only awaits a favourable opportunity for completion, while he necessary steps for the Incorporation of the Association locally and the passing of a Protection Ordinance, both of which actions lave been under discussion for over a year, are being taken under the guidance of those most qualified to advise us.

The Financial Position. other similar displays. While Sout.

ing or to help them to start. heavy and likely to increase, espe- minent position among the Associally when the Officers' Training ciations of the Colony. onial Government has made us in | gi en by Sir Henry Polick. the past a valuable grant for both | Rev. Mr. Waldegrave spoke at

Statistics.

Approximate Number of Scouts of all ranks in the Asso-

Number of Troops Number of Wolf Cub-Packs ... Number of Rover Scout Patrols Number of Instructors and Examiners, not including.

His Excellency's Address His Excellency was accorded an outburst of applause on rising to address the meeting. The Chief Scout said that the meeting had called in order that the Association might be put on a firmer and he hoped a permanent footing. As they all knew scouting began as a game for boys and aimed at teaching them to play at one time the supply of available the great game of life. It ended efficient officers was severely taxas a brotherhood of men of all ed. With the increase in numbers

creeds and races. to have the goodwill and support come; and it has occurred to us of the Chinese community who, that the best way to secure it and formed by far the largest part of to secure it regularly, is to appeal the Association in Hongkong. It for more members, the fee being was therefore a very great plea-sure for him to welcome at the meeting as president, his old response from all sections of the friend Dr. Kotewall, who enjoyed community.

DISARMAMENT.

REVIEW OF THE LEAGUE'S DISCUSSION.

Rugby, Dec. 14. Reviewing the Geneva disarmament discussions in a speech to the League of Nations Parliamentary Committee at the House of Commons last night, Lord Cecil said an agreement had been reached on the fundamental point that the object of reduction or limitation must be actual peace armaments of the different countries and that it was impossible to limit the potential being drafted by Sir Henry Pollock for consideration by the Legislative Council.

His Excellency, the Chief Scout of Hongkong, presided and he was supported by the Hon. Dr. R. H. Kotewall (President of the Assometrical Roy C. T. Waldegrave could be conclusion thus based could be conclusion thus based could be conclusion thus based ciation), Rev. G. T. Waldegrave could be carefully checked by com-(Commissioner), Col. Robertson parison of budget expenditures.

Regarding divergent views on

C. C. Luard, Sir Henry Gollan, methods of measuring naval armaments, Lord Cocil thought a compromise might be reached by combining the limitation of total tonnage with an agreement on the future building programmes.

Air limitation-was more difficult but experts appeared to favour the limitation of total horsepower of each country's whole air force.

Lord Cecil expressed a belief that short of the disclosure of military secrets, full information on strength of each country's armed forces could be given to the League and nothing was better calculated to create, a sense of confidence .--British Wireless.

the local Association.

"Council Seats;"

Continuing His Excellency, said that the intention of the meeting was also to constitute a scout council for Hongkong and he was very glad to inform the meeting that H. E., the Naval Commander in Chief and H. E. the OfficerCommanding the Troops had accepted the invilation to sit on the Council as did also the Chief" Justice.

His Excellency read Sir Henry Gollan's letter accepting the post. Sir Henry accepted with the greatest readiness and intimated that he would willingly perform any service required of him.

His Excellency remarked that it was significant that if everybear accepted in that spirit he could predict a successful future. Referring to the Ordinance in-

corporating the Local Association, His Excellency said that the first steps would be preparing the Bill. Financially we need more what The Scouts Association, in the may be termed regular revenue. We United Kingdom was incorporated have practically no other source by Royal Charter in 1912 with His of income than subscriptions, and Majesty the King as President and money earned by concerts and Sir Robert Caden-Powell as Chief

each troop is largely responsible Hitherto, the local Association for raising its own funds, the As- had been affiliated to the parent sociation has frequently to make Association but it was desirable grants, to new or necessitous now that it should be incorporated Troops, to enable them to keep go- and stand in its own feet, to have power to possess property, to sue Association expenses are also and to be sued and to take a pro-

Courses commence as a regular His Excelency then detailed the part of the year's work. The Co-objects which he said would be

these purposes, but even so this length on the Scout movement and does not cover all outgoings, and also r ferred to the Incorporation we desire keenly to relieve our Odinance. He said that from the officers of much private expendi- statistics of the Imperial Headture which at present comes upon quarters the Local Association ranked on equal lines with the County Associations in England.

The Hon. Dr. Kotewall, President; said that though the aims of the Boy Scout movement are well known to you, I should like, for the benefit of those outside the Association, to emphasise the fact that Boy Scouting in non-military and nonpolitical, and is without distinction of class or race. On these lines the system has grown, and on these lines, it continues to grow

and flourish throughout the world During the last two years, the number of Boy Scouts has increased by over 300,000; and during the same period in this Colony if increased to such an extend that our expenses have gone up pro-To succeed, the movement had portionately. We need more in-

the very highest degree of respect | Gentlemen, in the Boy Scouts of the Chinese community whom he very worthily represented on the Legislative Council. He was also held with very high regard by all the residents in the Colony.

The fact that Dr. Noterrall had a specific and offective influence making for the betterment of the world. It is a system which trains our youth to be men The fact that Dr. Kotewall had of character and usefulness—men seen his way to accept the office, who are self-reliant and resourceshowed that although the Scout ful, who know the value of dia-movement originated in Great Bri-cipline and good order, and who tain, it was capable of bying actinspired by a sense of service the Council.

climatised in this Colony:

His Excellency then rend the will, to my mind, constitute the lenoy for presiding then closed letter received from Lieut.-General strongest bulwark against Bol. the meeting.



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shevism and Communism, the two! evil forces which to-day threaten to subvert law and order, and to deprive us of our rights and liberty. (Applause).

Sir Henry Pollock then detailed the objects of the Ordinance. He said that the first object was to protect the badges and uniforms of the Association. The Bill was to make it punishable for any unauthorised person to misuse the badges and scout uniforms. It was also to prevent unauthorised persons from forming organisations similar to the Scout movement and to stop persons from pretending to be scouts when they

A member brought up the question of the absence from the meeting of a representative of the second Hongkong Troop and after discussion the matter was left to



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AN EXPLANATION.

STOKER HOWARD FIT FOR EWIN FIGHT.

[BY "WANDERER."]

Much criticism was levelled at Stoker "Taff" Howard after his fight with Francis on December 4th, and to a large extent it was

descryed. Howard now writes me in the following terms:

"I should like to make some comment concerning my fight with Francis. In the first place, I had only a few days previously arrived from Borneo, and the sudden change of temperature was not likely to assist me at all. .

"I went into serious training on arrival but did not have sufficient time to do myself justice, and" I was not really surprised at failing to give a good impression.

"As you remarked, I was too fat. My boxing weight is 157lbs., of 11st. 31 hs. I was fighting at 167lbs, as you know.

"I may say that I am perfectly fit for my forthcoming engagement with A. B. Ewin, and after I have tackled him, I shall be pleased to meet P. O. Francis's wishes in respect of a return bout .-- Yrs., etc. E. Howard."

DUPRE AND CARTLIDGE.

The prospects, of a meeting between Jim Cartlidge and Andre Dupre are remote, unless they agree to a six round contest. All the men mentioned in the programme for the December 21st. tournament have signed articles, and it is therefore impossible to arrange for another big fight.

It is a disappointment which might have been avoided had Dupre not arrived in the Colony unexpectedly.

Kid Raymond has expressed an anxiety to meet Andre Dupre, but judging from his exhibition with a Portuguese fighter in Macao recently, he could not stand the pace with the Frenchman.

Raymond fought a man considerably heavier than himself, and retired after the first round I am given to understand, but one would imagine that - Raymond would be capable of holding his own with anyone in Macao if he is sufficiently good to offer a challlenge to a boxer of Dupre's cali-

TUNNEY'S ARREST.

MAĞISTRATE DISMISSES

"CASE.

New York, Dec. 14. The action against Gene Tunney. who was arrested on November 29, and charged with violating the boxing law by giving exhibitions at a local theatre, was to-day dismissed, the magistrate being of opinion that the proceedings were not instituted in good faith.

Tunney states he will bring an action against the Chairman of the New York Boxing Commission on the grounds of illegal arrest. Reuter's American Service.

BOXING FATALITY.

FRENCH BOXER DIES AFTER

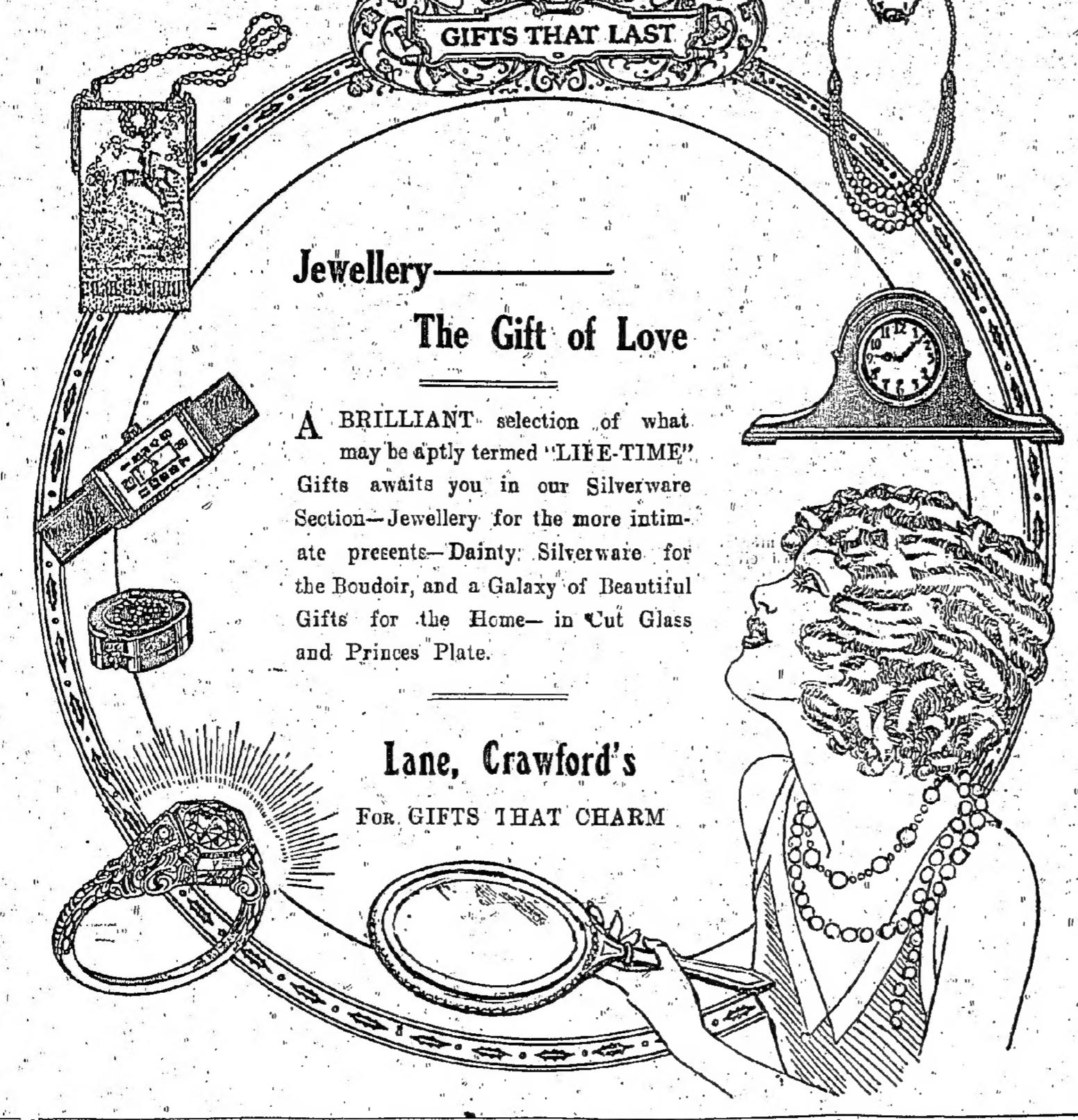
New York, Dec. 14. A message from Hartford, Connecticut, says that following a fight with Elmer Freidman of Boston, last night, the French light-heavyweight, Charles Pegulihan, died in hospital from a fractured skull. It was his first fight in America: Friedman has been arrested charged with manslaughter. He was bailed out on \$1,000 .- Reuter's American Service.

KOWLOON G. C. CHAMPION-SHIP.

The draw for the championship of the Kowloon Golf Club has now been made and is as follows: F Lickley v. S. Gray, F. E. Remedios v. I. Newton, G. B. Slipper v. T. E. Martin, T. Allenev: E. da Roza, T. E. Jones v. F. X. Remedios, K. S. Robertson v. A. W. Roberts, J. McQueen v. A. W. da Roza, Andrews v. S. Hewkin, J. D. Thomson v. H. Page, J. McLaggen v. F. Wheeler, B. Thomson v. V. C. Lab-

The following receive byes, F. and M. P. Madar. Keilley, E. Clough, W. McG. Davies, W. J. Carroll and D. C. Wilson.

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CORRESPONDENCE.

"KID RAYMOND.

To the Editor of the Hongkong Telegraph.]

criticisms about "Kid" Raymond's number is eight or more) of the business transacted. fight in Macao, that he gave in English and Scottish up in the second round, I as one ball of the spectators and one who has be played on Saturday next, THE MERCANTILE BANK OF witnessed the "Kid's" many suc- December 18th) . set cessfull fights in Manila, suggest in the coupon below. No goal that if the same man he fought scores are required; only forecasts in Macao be brought here to fight showing wins or draws. All enhim again, I am sure he will come tries must reach this " office not out victorious.

Though not a permanent resibetween a featherweight and ended October 9th and 16th, 1926. a lightheavyweight, and the fight between the "Kid" and the Macao lightheavyweight champion was one of the few ever witnessed.

The "Kid," suffering from the effects of the trip and giving away more than forty pounds, fought and lost; but give him any man! of his weight to fight in the Colony and he will make you stand in your toes to take notice. Thanking you for your space.-

Yours, etc.

GOGGLE. Hongkong, December 14, 1926.

THE LADIES' CHAMPIONSHIP.

On the Ladies' Recreation Club courts on Monday, Miss Robinson won the final of the Open Singles Championship of the Colony for ladies defeating Miss Enid Lo in straight sets, 6-4; 6-4.

Miss Robinson will meet Mrs. Tottenham, the holder, in the

CRICKET.

The following will represent the I.R.C. 2nd XI against the H.K.C.C. 2nd XI in a league match on the I.R.C. ground on Saturday, December 18th, at 2 p.m.:-Sirdar Khan (Captain), S. A. R. Ismail, V. T. Mans, A. S. Ismail, A. K. Minu, A. Rahmin, S. A. Hussain, A. S. Suffiad, D. Mohamad, J. S. Ackber,

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INTER-VARSITY RUGBY

CAMBRIDGE OVERRUN:

London, Dec. 14. At Twickenham in dull and showery weather, before 30,000 spectators Cambridge beat Oxford in the Inter-Varsity rugby match by 30 points to five.

Landal scored a try for Oxford after four minutes' play, Berkley converting. Then " Cambridge applied strong pressure, Hamilton-Smythe scoring an unconverted which Barlow converted. At half- the road. Witness saw three or time Cambridge led by 8 points to four sailors.

In the second half, Cambridge were almost continually attacking. tries being added by Hamilton-Symthe, Allen, Taylor, Rowe-Harding, Barlow and Taylor, in think will lose, but make no marks the order named. Barlow converted two.-Reuter.

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FOOLISH PRANK.

MOTOR CAR BORROWED AND SMASHED.

The foolish prank of four bluejackets who took a car from the shelter at the Star Ferry Kowloon for, a joy ride during the very early hours of the morning of december 6, led to the appearance of Frederick John Buckmaster, (24) an able seaman of H. M. S. Hawkins, before Mr. J. H. B. Nihill at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday on charges of unlawfully stealing a motor car belonging to Mr. C. H. Dodson and with driving the said car without an

appropriate driver's licence, Mr. H. C. Macnamara represent ed the defendant.

Sub#Inspector Andrew briefly outlined the facts of the case to his Worship, on the defence returning a plea of not guilty.

The complainant, Mr. Dodson. was first called and he testified to having left his car No. 117 in the public stand at the Star-Ferry at 7.30 p.m. on the night of Decemher 5. He returned from Hongkong by the quarter- past twelve ferry and on going to the shelter found that his car had disappeared. A report was made to a European Police officer outside the

Smashed Up.

Witness was later taken to Hungwhere he saw his car al smashed up. The chassis was completely wrecked, but he was able with great caution to drive it back to the Water Police Station. He could not estimate with any certainty the amount of damage done until he had completely dismantled bit. When found the car was up against a lamp standard and it was apparent that the damage was caused by a collision.

Mr. R. J. Everest, residing at the new Government quarters on Hunghom side of the Railway bridge, said that he was returning from Hongkong by taxi at about Following an attack by junction of Mody Road and Cha-Oxford, Lewis picked up in the tham Road he saw a stationery loose and scored a brilliant try, motor car drawn up on the side of

Sergeant Kelly gave evidence of arresting the defendant together. with another sailor at the junction of Salisbury and Canton Roads, about la.m.

Giving evidence of the identi: cation, Sub-Inspector Andrew said that Mr. Mason, when picking out the defendant, said: "I think this is the man I saw at the wheel." In his statement to the Police

the defendant said that he knew nothing of the occurrence. Mr. Macnamara submitted that he had no case to answer, and his

Worship acquitted the defendant.

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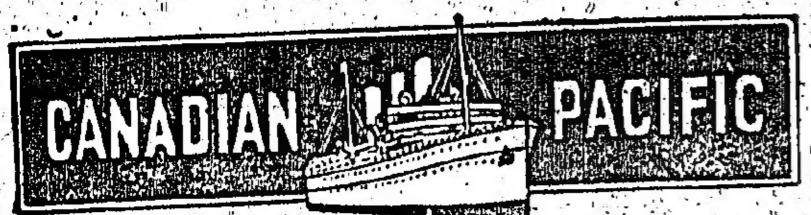
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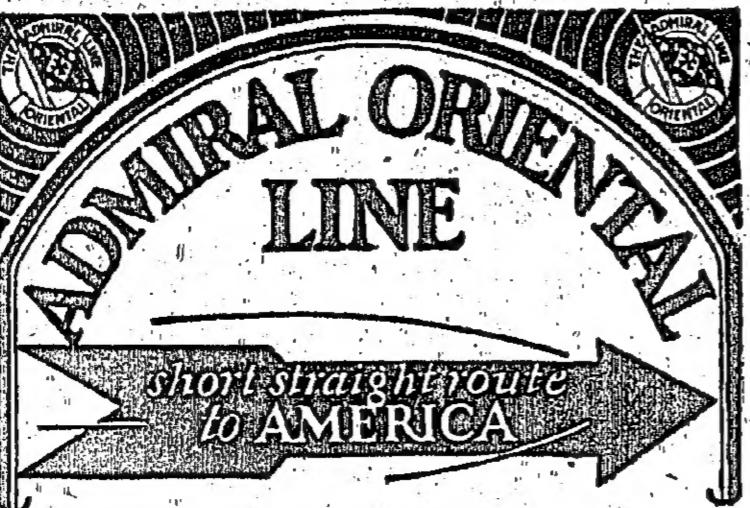
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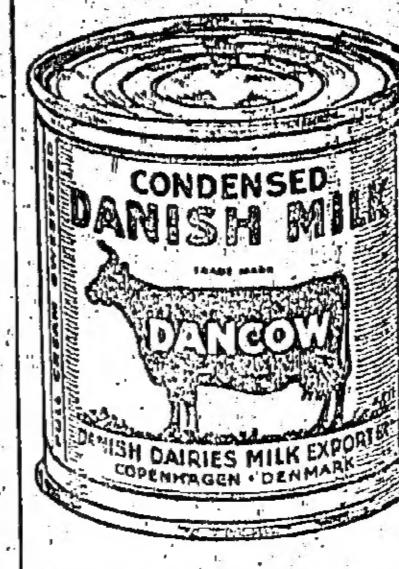
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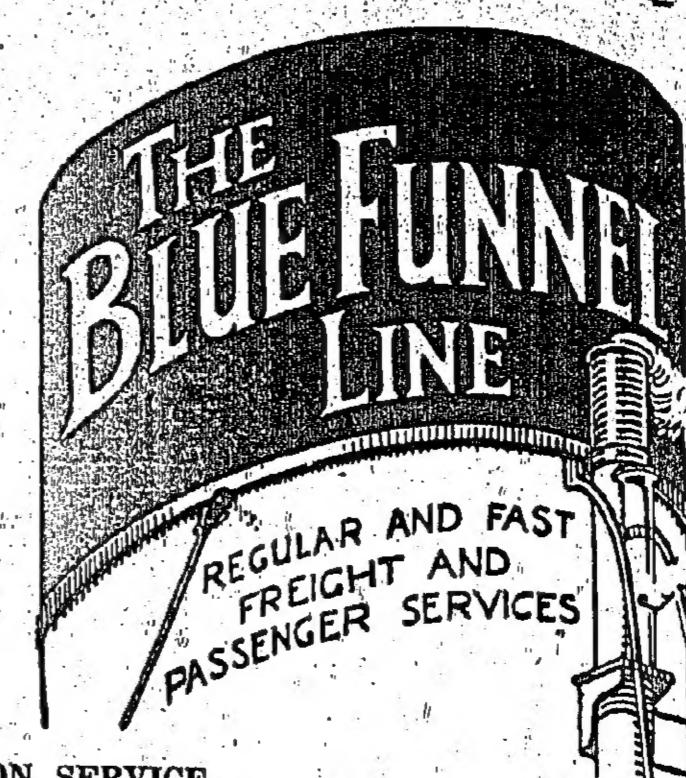
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All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 17th inst. at 10 a.m. by our surveyors. Messrs. Goddard and Douglas.

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BIG DEFICIT.

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159,60 was paid to Leung Chak-

and unable to pay its debts, and

that there were matters which re-

quired investigation on behalf of

Continuing, Mr. Sheldon said on

August 4th a meeting of creditors

That in fact did not happen, but on

August 13th an order was obtained

'CREDITORS' VIEWS.

On November 5th, a meeting of

creditors was held, when forty-

eight were present. It was re-

solved by the meeting that, in

their opinion, the rights, of the

creditors would be prejudiced by

voluntary winding up, and that an

Mr. Sheldon stated that Messrs.

Concluding, Mr. Sheldon said he

grounds that the creditors would

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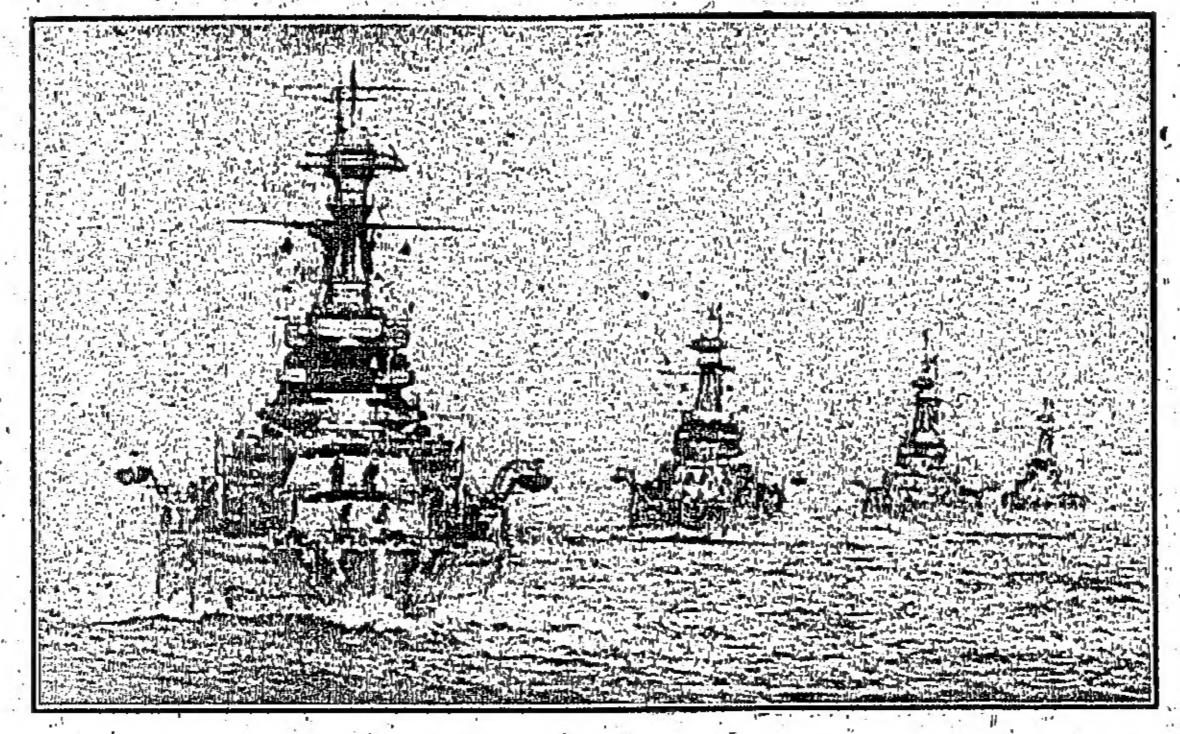
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THE SANITARY BOARD

SOME IMPORTANT QUESTIONS.

A meeting of the Sanitary Board was held yesterday afternoon, Mr. N. L. Smith being in the to buy Fuga island.—Reuter. chair. Others present were the Hon, Mr. H. T. Creasy, Dr. G. S. Pope, Dr. S. W. T'so, Mr. Wong Kwong-tin, Col. Boylah Smith, Dr. be but even the architect himself S. C. Ho, Mr. J. P. Braga, Mr. R. might not observe personally A. D. Forrest (secretary and Mr. every process during construction. D. Davis (assistant secretary).

"Mr. Wong Kwong-tin, asked the specific instance in which a license and Mr. S. H. Ross, chartered acfollowing questions.—"(1) Are ap- had not been granted for 62 days. countants, were unanimously applications for restaurant and cat- The chairman replied that if he pointed liquidators in place of ing house licences dealt with by could have chapter and verse he those appointed by the Company. the Inspectors of the Department would enquire into the matter, and if so, what check is there that Mr. Wong gave the information,

all premises used as restaurants year and the license was not is Seth and Ross as additional and eating houses for which sued until September 20. The liquidators. licences are applied for, to be chairman said he would make enopened up, if so, what are the rea- quires. sons for so doing? Should not houses built after the Public Health and Buildings Ordinance of 1903, be exempted from such operations?"

The Replies.

To the first the chairman re- ed in that of the Economic, Replied.—"All applications for res- sources. Committee (1920), that application be made to the Court taurant and eating house licences both on economic grounds and as for the removal of the Chinese are referred to the Sanitary De- a matter of expediency there should liquidators. partment by the Secretary for be an earnest endeavour to make Chinese Affairs and the Colonial this Colony self-supporting in so Ip Pik-chuen and Lui Mui-sang Treasurer respectively. The pre-vital a commodity as pig-meat mises are then inspected by this which enters so largely in the department's District Inspectors dietary of nine-tenths of the popular of the petition, as they were out who report through the usual chan-lation of Hongkong and its depen. of the Colony. nels and any undue delay in furn- dencies'? ishing such reports would be no- (2) a With a view to make the made the application on the ticed. As a further precaution, I Colony less dependent on outside see personally at the end of each sources for its food supply and so month the office copies of all such as to check the tendency towards ing up; that there was a case for the tendency towards ing up; that there was a case for than ten days from the date of re- and to bring down (if possible) the enquiry; and that the creditors celpt from the licensing depart- high price of foodstuffs, will the ment to the date of their onward Government devise some scheme the Court.

plied.—"The ground surface of there in the New Territories with the removal of two of the Chine se such premises are always opened the object of fostering cattle and up when there is any doubt whe- poultry farming, and pig-breed complies with the requirements of duce on a larger scale? .. the law. The reason is that only b Is the holding in the New Ter so can such thickness he ascer- ritgry of an annual cattle and poul tained. It is not considered that try show feasible; and, if so, will liquidators. an occupation certificate of the the Government initiate and help Building Authority is sufficient to defray the cost of such shows evidence of the adequacy of with a view to stimulate greater

surfaces in premises where food In reply to these questions the is abundant, is of course one of Chairman said these were matters the measures aimed at the reduct with which the Board had no tion of rats."

B. A. Certificates.

Mr. Wong remarked that in re- tion of the Government. ferring to the section of the Ordinance concerning these matters he saw that bulldings erected after the passing of the Ordinance was an amendment to the bylaws . dance with certain conditions and and mitigation of epidemic, en-he therefore considered it undemic; contagious or infectious opened up. Furthermore he notime of the cholera epidemic in ticed that under section 204 of the Shanghai and Canton and con-public Health and Buildings Orcerned mainly the sale of certain dinance certificates were issued by foods. the Building Authority only where The Chairman said the matter the requirements of the Ordinance of amendment had been delayed were complied with and therfore rather but it did not alter matters it was surely not necessary where much as they had escaped by a for surfaces to be opened up.

tects but they did not have inspectors or overseers watching to see that the law was complied with. Therefore the Building Aumatter of an agricultural show for thority had to rely on the archi-tect's certificate which no doubt sideration, the Rev. H. R. Wells

FUGA ISLAND.

A DENIAL FROM JAPANA

Tokyo, Dec. 14. The Mitsui Bussan Kaisha em- tsun, a director of the Company. phatically denies the report from The report concluded by saying Manila that they are attempting that the Company was insolvent

Mr. Wong went on to give a was held at which Mr. J. H. Seth the same are dealt with promptly? stating that application for a August 13th an order was obtained (2) Are the ground surface of license was made on July 21 this for the appointment of Messrs.

Not the Board's Concern.

Mr. J. P. Braga asked the following questions.—"(1) What steps, if any, have the Government taken to carry out the suggestion contained in a report, incorporat

of bonus payment on other simple To the second Dr. G. S. Pope re- method of encouragement to setther their thickness or consistency ing, and to cultivate market pra-

"The insistence upon good ground and farming within the Colony?" direct concern, but the enquiries had been forwarded to the Colonial Secretary for the informa-

By-Laws.

The only other public business | of 1903 had to be built in accord recently made for the prevention necessary for their floors to be diseases. They were made at the

these certificates had been issued miracle " the cholern which The chairman said he had taken agreed to the by-laws but they the matter up with the Building thought it was a good thing to Authority and he had replied that have them in reserve against any the fact that a certificate had been given to the effect that the surface was of a crtain thickness and consistency was not sufficient for the purposes of the Ordinance so far as this particular trade was concerned. Certificates were given on certificates from architects but they did not have instance that them in reserve against any furture outbreak. The only alteration was that the declaration of the occasion on which they may be called into force lay with the Governor in Council instead of with the Sanitary Board. Col. Boylan Smith had a small amend ment to make and he proposed they consider it in committee.

was true as far as it possibly could O.B.E., being very interested.

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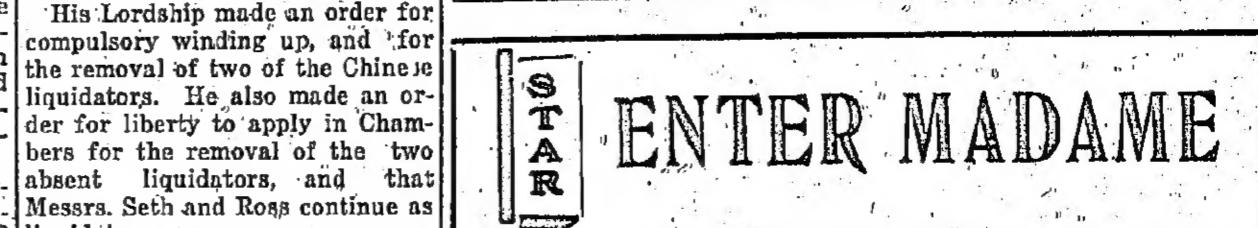
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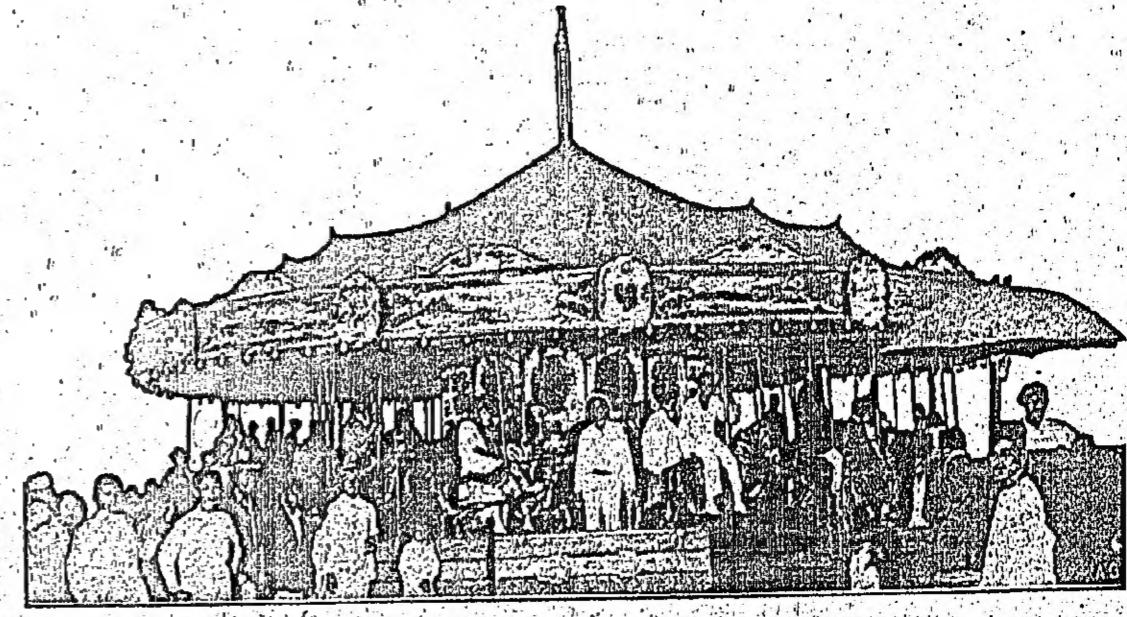
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